

NEW EARSWICK RECREATIONAL SWIMMING POOL RULES

1. The regulations for use of the pool laid down by the Friends of New Earswick Swimming Pool and New Earswick Swimming Club (NESC) shall apply to members of NESC and members of the public who swim in the recreational sessions.
2. Free admission to the pool during sessions hired by the New Earswick Swimming Club will be allowed only upon the production of a current NESC membership card. Otherwise a £3 entry fee shall be paid (no charge for children aged 2 and under).
3. Membership cards are not transferable and any member so doing shall be liable to suspension and possible loss of membership. Any membership card used to gain admission for an unauthorised person will be confiscated and will not be returned to the owner until the Committee has decided what action shall be taken.
4. It is the member's responsibility to arrange for the replacement of lost membership cards.
5. Juniors under aged 8yrs or under will not be allowed in the water unless accompanied by an adult (or a qualified swimming teacher under the age of 18) – ratio 1 adult to 2 children. Adult must exercise constant supervision of the children in their care.
6. Children aged 9-17 are welcome to swim unaccompanied but a responsible adult must remain present in the spectator for duration of their swim
7. NESC Membership fees are not normally returnable.
8. Non-members
 - Visitors may use all the club facilities
 - All visitors will be charged an admission fee, and their particulars will be entered into the visitor book.
 - Non-member spectators are admitted to watch only.
9. Swimming aids and accessories
 - Floatation aids: Floats, noodles, arm bands and lifebelts are only permitted for use during Recreational Sessions by non-swimmers in the shallow end or within the roped off area.
 - Snorkels, facemasks (excepting goggles), and other underwater equipment are not permitted.
 - Training aids: Kick boards and pull buoys are only permitted for use by competent swimmers provided they do not interfere with other swimmers.
 - Flippers (Fins) are only allowed when the session is very quiet and when their use will not interfere with other swimmers, this is at the lifeguard's discretion.
 - Balls and coins are not permitted.
 - Dive sticks, sinkers and other such devices are permitted but must not be thrown.
10. Jewellery and watches must not constitute a danger or hazard to the wearer or other swimmers.
11. Hair which is shoulder length or longer, must be tied back securely or a hat worn.

12. Nappy Policy - For health & hygiene reasons, all babies and children who are not potty trained must wear a swimming nappy when using the pool.

13. Lifeguards and Supervisors

The NESC Committee has appointed lifeguards and supervisors to be responsible for the management of the recreational sessions. A list of lifeguards and supervisors showing the sessions for which they are responsible is posted on the notice board in the spectator area. The responsibilities of the lifeguards and supervisors have been defined as follows:

- Lifeguards, who must hold a current lifeguarding qualification, are responsible for all matters of safety and operation in the pool area, i.e. the pool and the pool surrounds.
- Supervisors are responsible for the changing rooms, toilets, foyer, balcony and the remainder of the building other than the pool and the pool surrounds.
- Supervisors must ensure that only those authorised under these rules enter and use the facilities of the Club. Supervisors are empowered to retain membership cards for submission to the Committee and to refuse entry to NESC members or members of the public who they deem may constitute a threat to the health and wellbeing of other swimmers

- Lifeguards and supervisors have authority additionally to:
 - Ensure that the times and restrictions laid down for the use of each session are adhered to.
 - To evict from the pool and withhold membership card of anyone who is considered to be a danger or nuisance to him/herself or other members present or for any other reason which the lifeguard or supervisor considers warrants eviction and/or suspension.
 - To have access to all parts of the pool, changing rooms, toilets, etc. in order to maintain order and carry out their duties under this and other sections of the rules.
 - To limit the number of swimmers to be allowed in the pool at any time.
 - Any member has the right to appeal, in writing, to the Committee if refused entry, suspended, evicted, or any other matter.

14. Swimmers must not enter the changing rooms or pool area until permitted to do so by the supervisor or lifeguard.

15. Children aged 9 or over must not enter the changing area of their opposite sex and under no circumstances are adults allowed in to the changing area of their opposite sex.

16. Use of mobile phones or other devices to photograph or video swimmers in the pool or changing areas is strictly prohibited.

17. Any malicious damage to pool building or fixtures or to the property of other swimmers will result in expulsion from the Club.

18. Complaints or criticisms should be handed in writing, to the supervisor of the session, or the Club Secretary, who will then bring the matter to the attention of the Committee

19. When the coloured rope is in position non-swimmers should remain on the shallow side of the rope. Swimmers, excepting those aiding non-swimmers, should remain on the deep side of the rope.
20. The toilets must not be used for changing other than the disabled toilet which may be used by gender neutral visitors.
21. In the event of a major accident inform the lifeguard or supervisor. The emergency 999 telephone is situated in the entrance on the wall. Dial 9 followed by 999. If this telephone is out of order, the nearest public telephone is located in the Folk Hall, from which emergency 999 calls can be made.
22. Members should note that valuables should not be left in the changing room unless placed in the lockers provided.

These rules cancel and supersede any previous rules issued by the New Earswick Swimming Club.

Approved by the Friends of New Earswick Swimming Pool and New Earswick Swimming Club Management Committee.

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