The Grove Homeowner's Association

Swimming Pool Policies, Rules and Regulations

The Grove Homeowner's Association Swimming Pool is a privately-owned recreation entity, entirely funded by annual assessment paying members. The GHOA Board of Directors administers the Pool Rules and Regulations. Day-to-day management of the pool is the responsibility of the Pool Management Company. **Membership and use of the pool is a privilege extended to Grove Homeowners whose semi-annual dues are current and paid.** Members understand and agree to abide by the rules and regulations governing safe and lawful operation of the swimming pool and assume responsibility for all dependent minors and/or guests using the pool facilities.

Rules may be changed, with the approval of the GHOA Board, when deemed necessary for safety purposes.

GENERAL

- All Annual Assessments must be paid in full prior to use the pool.
- Hours of operation are posted for the season. Anyone entering the pool or pool area outside of the pool hours of operation are trespassing and will be subject to arrest.
- ***Private parties are not permitted at the pool.***
- The Homeowner's Association will not be responsible for any money or property loss sustained by members or their guests when using the pool.
- Members are requested to instruct their children and guests' children in personal hygiene (e.g., instruct them to use the restroom facilities in the clubhouse.) The Pool Manager has the authority to vacate all people from the pool deck area if, at his/her discretion, the health and safety of the members are endangered. The pool will remain vacated until the condition is corrected.
- All members and their guests are required to sign-in upon entering the pool facilities.
- The wading pool is for children 5 and under. The lifeguard will exercise general supervision over the wading pool but is not

responsible for anyone inside the wading pool. All children in the wading pool must be supervised by a parent or another person over the age of 16 within the wading pool enclosure.

- A responsible party must supervise patrons under the age of twelve (12) at all times. A responsible party is defined as a person sixteen (16) years of age or older. Patrons age twelve and older are permitted in the pool without supervision but are subject to removal by the Pool Manager on duty if they create a health or safety risk.
- **Infants are required to wear swim diapers in the pools.**
- Food and beverages may be brought to the pool. All trash must be placed in the trash containers provided.

The following items and activities are prohibited:

- NO GLASS of any kind is permitted in the pool enclosure including beverage containers and facemasks with glass faces.

- No large rafts or flotation devices shall be allowed in the pool. Balls, toys, small baby floats and noodles may be allowed, at the lifeguard on duty's discretion, based on the number of people in the pool.
- No animals, other than service animals.
- No Smoking or chewing gum anywhere in the fenced pool area.

- Depending on pool capacity, 10-minute Child Rest Periods will be called by the lifeguards each hour at their discretion except for the first and last hour of the day. Child Rest Periods allow children to take a break from swimming to prevent exhaustion and allows the lifeguard staff to check pool equipment and test water quality. During Child Rest Periods, no person under the age of 18 is allowed in the main pool. Children under 3 years of age are permitted with the direct supervision of an adult. Children are not

allowed to sit on the steps of the pool to hang their feet in the water during Child Rest Periods.

- The pool phone is for pool management use only.

CONDUCT & HEALTH

- The head lifeguard/manager is given full authority to enforce all swimming pool regulations as needed to maintain the safety of members and their guests. Appropriate behavior and cooperation is expected by all members and their guests.
- Everyone must leave the pool in the event of an emergency (including weather situations such as thunder and lightning storms). The emergency signal is three (3) blasts from the lifeguard's whistle.
- ANYONE not following rules while at the pool will be given warnings as follows:

    - **1st Offense** – verbal warning
    - **2nd Offense** – out of the pool for 30 minutes
    - **3rd Offense** – asked to leave the pool for the day (if offender is under 18, the Association Board and the offender's parents must be notified.)
    - **4th Offense** (upon returning to pool) – out of the pool for a week (if offender is under 18, the Association Board and the offender's parents must be notified.)
    - Further violations could result in suspension of pool membership for remainder of season.

All warnings will be documented with the exception of 1st Offense, which will result in a verbal warning.

- Accidents should be reported to the Lifeguard immediately so that a report can be filled out.
- Foul or abusive language, as determined by the Lifeguard, will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary action on duty.
- Drug use, fighting, or sexual assault will result in immediate dismissal from the pool area and the proper authorities will be notified. The Lifeguard is authorized to immediately expel violators from the pool area.

- Absolutely no diving in the pool or flips from the side are allowed at any time.

No running, pushing, dunking, rough play or any type of personal conduct endangering safety of self and others is allowed.

- Approved life jackets may be worn in the pool.
- *Non-visible consumption of alcoholic beverages is allowed in the pool enclosure. Any intoxicated individual will be asked to leave the pool area. Failure to do so will result in the notification of the proper authorities.*
- *Admission to the pool enclosure is forbidden, at the discretion of the pool manager, to anyone wearing bandages, or with skin abrasions, colds, coughs, extremely inflamed eyes, open sores, infections, excessive sunburn, nasal or ear discharge, or other symptoms which are determined by pool management to be detrimental to the health of others.*

Any violation of these rules should be reported to the Pool Manager and the GHOA Board, giving complete details of the incident in writing. Pool Management and the Board will investigate each incident and take such corrective action as they deem necessary.

THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE RULES LISTED WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE APPROPRIATE STAFF AND/OR BOARD MEMBERS. RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DURING THE SUMMER TO MAINTAIN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT. CHANGES WILL BE POSTED AT THE POOL.