



## **Broadmead Swim Club**

### **Rules & Guidelines**

The policies and rules of the pool are in place to protect the health and safety of club members and to meet the requirements of the Princeton Regional Health Commission. Lifeguards have the authority to revoke the swimming privileges of any uncooperative member or guest.

**Hours:** The pool hours will be as listed on the club's website ([broadmeadswimclub.com](http://broadmeadswimclub.com)), with two exceptions. First, it is up to the discretion of the lifeguard whether or not swimming may continue after dusk. Second, the pool will also be closed for an hour if lightning has been seen or thunder has been heard, in accordance with the laws of New Jersey.

#### Notes:

- ◆ Holidays are Memorial Day and Independence Day.
- ◆ Swimmers must leave water by 7:30pm when grounds close at 8:00pm.

**Contacts:** The BSC Board: [broadmead.swim.club@gmail.com](mailto:broadmead.swim.club@gmail.com) or (609) 759-0272

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Members who do not follow these rules risk suspension of membership without refund:

**Concrete area:** The concrete apron around the pool must be kept clear. No running, eating, drinking, horseplay, or sunbathing is allowed on the apron. Standing on the concrete is dangerous in an electrical storm. The guards are required by law to clear the pool and apron when thunder is heard. Please cooperate quickly.

**Conduct:** Conduct affecting the safety or comfort of others is not permitted (e.g. no boom boxes, water guns, etc).

**Pets:** Animals are not permitted within the club enclosure with the exception of service/guide dogs.

**No Smoking / Alcohol:** Smoking or consumption of alcoholic beverages in the pool enclosure is not allowed. Persons under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave.

**Health:** Anyone with a skin or eye infection, open blisters, cuts or bandages, nasal or ear discharges, or showing evidence of a communicable disease will not be allowed in the water.

**Showers:** All persons must shower before entering the pool.

**Chairs:** Chairs will be stored in designated areas around the pool. Please return chairs after use.

**Trash:** Please put your trash in covered plastic lined containers. Avoid bringing glass containers to the pool because of the danger to bare feet. We have a yellow container for recycling cans and plastic containers. Newspapers should be taken home to be recycled.

**Signing In:** Every group entering the pool must register their name in the book on the table next to the lifeguard's chair.

**Guests:** All guests must be signed in. Members must accompany guests while they are at the pool, and members should ensure that their guests follow these rules and guidelines. Each family membership is allotted 25 free guests during the season. Individual and couple memberships are allowed 10. Additional guests will be charged \$10 per visit payable at the time of visit by check to the lifeguard. Checks should be made out to the Broadmead Swim Club.

**Parties:** All parties must be cleared with the Board (contact on page 1) at least two weeks prior to the event. A fee of \$75 for a two-hour event covers additional lifeguard costs and up to 10 party guests. For extra guests beyond 10, members may use their guest passes (or \$10/guest – see above).

**Lessons:** The club offers both private and group swim lessons. If you are interested in either, get in touch with the Board (contact on page 1) or speak with the lifeguard at the pool. Sign-up for group or individual lessons may occur throughout the season.

**Diving Board:** Use of the diving board requires extra care, especially when several people are using it. People using the diving board may only jump off the end, not the side. When the diving area is crowded, divers should swim directly to the ladder after entering the water. Swimmers are cautioned not to swim to the bottom of the pool directly in front of or underneath the diving board. The guards may restrict the use of the diving board if the number of people in the deep end becomes a concern.

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**Lap Lane:** The lap lane is for the use of members wishing to swim the length of the pool. Rotational swimming is in effect when more than one swimmer is present. The guards may, at their discretion, open additional lap lanes, and restrict diving from the board as necessary.

**Wading Pool:** The wading pool is for use by non-swimmers only. Small children must not be left unattended in the wading pool area; they must be in the care of an accompanying adult or babysitter. The gate to the wading pool area must be kept closed at all times. Parents should encourage their children to use the bathroom facilities before they enter the pool and at periodic intervals during the day. Please ensure that older children realize that extra care must be used around some of the young members who swim in the wading pool. It is not a place for roughhousing.

**Children in Diapers:** In compliance with directives from the Health Department, all non-toilet trained children must wear rubber (plastic or latex) pants that fit snugly at the waist and legs over clean diapers; this is in addition to "swim diapers" or "beach diapers." The lifeguards will have a small number of rubber pants for sale for a nominal fee. Children who are not properly attired will not be allowed in the water.

**Non-Swimmers Under 9 Years of Age:** Children under 9 years of age who have not passed the swim test must be under the direct supervision of an adult while inside the pool enclosure. *This means that the adult must be in the water with direct supervision over children in the water.* Life jackets, water wings, and other flotation devices will not suffice in place of an adult in the water. Nor is the presence of the lifeguard, whose responsibilities range over the entire pool area, sufficient.

**Swimmers Under 12 Years of Age:** Children under the age of 12 may swim alone in the deep end only after they have passed the swim test administered by the lifeguard. *Until then, they must have an adult with them when they are in the deep end.* Lifeguards may restrict use of flotation devices in the deep end, particularly when crowded.

**Pre-Teen and Young Teen Privilege:** Children between 9 and 14 years of age may attend the pool unaccompanied by an adult or caregiver if a parent signs a permission slip available from the lifeguards. With parental approval, each child may bring up to two guests at a time. Guests must be signed in with the lifeguard in the usual way, and are counted towards the guest allotment.

