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POLA.07.10 – Facility Use Rules

All GSC Parks facilities are family friendly facilities operated for the benefit of the community. It is essential to the enjoyment of our patrons that a non-threatening, pleasant atmosphere be maintained for our patrons and staff. The facility rules are intended to achieve that aim by imposing the minimum restrictions necessary on the actions of any individuals.

Behavior

Behavior Code in all GSC Parks Facilities is covered under POL.A.07.08 – Behavior Management. Disciplinary Action for Behavior Management Violations is covered by PRO.ADMIN.07.01 – Procedures for Behavior Management.

[Behavior Management Policy and Procedure Letter](#)

Warnings: A verbal warning is given to a patron the first time a problem occurs. At the time of the warning, it will be emphasized that this kind of behavior will not be tolerated, and any additional problems may result in disciplinary action outlined in the [Behavior Management Policy and Procedure Letter](#).

Personal Conduct

Abusive behavior, inappropriate conduct (i.e., spitting in the facility or vandalism of equipment) and use of profane language are unacceptable during all recreation activities and within the facility. The staff reserves the right to request that individuals leave the facility for such behavior. Participants will be billed for any damage they cause to the facility and equipment through misuse. Individuals may also have their use of GSC Parks facility privileges suspended and their behavior reported to the Georgetown Police Department. Please be considerate of other facility users and follow the posted rules.

1. Skateboards, inline hockey skates, rollerblades, bikes, and pets are prohibited from GSC Parks facilities.
2. Any person suspected of being under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances will be asked to leave the facility and GSC Parks reserves the right to notify law enforcement.

GSC Parks and Recreation staff reserves the right to take action on circumstances determined to not be in the best interests of the public.

Check-in

For security reasons, everyone must check in at the control desk upon entering ANY GSC Parks facility (EDLC, Pavilion, SFAC). Fee based facilities such as the Pavilion and Suffoletta Family

Aquatic Center must pay an appropriate entrance fee or have purchased in advance one of the available memberships. Observers will only be admitted in associated with a currently occurring program and MUST check-in as an observer. Observers are prohibited from utilizing all areas/amenities of the facility. Members must present their membership card to the staff at the control desk every time they enter the facility.

Attire & Footwear

Proper, clean athletic shoes are required. Only non-marking soles are permitted on playing surfaces. Bare feet, socks, hard-soled shoes and open toed shoes are not permitted. Street shoes should be changed prior to participating in an activity. Participants are encouraged to wear appropriate attire while participating in all activities and are required to wear athletic attire in the fitness center. Jewelry, baseball hats, and street clothing can be dangerous and confining while exercising. A t-shirt or tank top and athletic shoes are required in the Pavilion fitness areas. Patrons must be dry and fully dressed before entering other areas apart from the natatorium.

Food and Beverage

Food & beverages are prohibited from all activity areas. Designated areas are established at each facility. Water bottles with closed tops are permitted in the fitness areas, gymnasium, and natatorium only. Chewing gum and all tobacco products are not permitted in any recreation activity area.

Alcohol

“The sale and/or services of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in all GSC Parks facilities.” Please refer to POL.A.06.06 – Alcohol Rules, Regulations and Policies [insert link to policy].

Inclement Weather

On days that Scott County Schools are closed or operating on a delay due to inclement weather, GSC Parks facilities will open one hour later than normally scheduled. In the event of severe weather conditions such as snowstorms, please contact the respective facility or visit <https://www.facebook.com/GSCParks> regarding the status of classes, meetings, and/or activities.

Unsupervised Youth Participants *(Effective March 1, 2022)*

Ed Davis Learning Center

- Children ten (10) years and older may participate in Ed Davis Learning Center facilities activities without and adult.
- If GSC Parks staff encounters any problems with these children, a parent or guardian will be contacted, and the child must be picked up within 30 minutes of notification.
- Disciplinary action may be taken in accordance with POL.A.07.08 – Behavior Management [insert link to policy].
- Children under the age of ten (10) are required to have adult supervision at all times.
- Any unsupervised youth ten (10) to seventeen (17) years old MUST be signed in at the front desk by a parent or guardian as an unsupervised youth.

Pavilion and Suffoletta Family Aquatic Center

- GSC Parks welcomes participants of all ages, abilities, religions and cultures to aquatic facilities. Safe swimming is important to us. All participants are required to wear swimming attire suitable for a public family aquatic environment and must meet Health and other regulatory requirements.
 - Appropriate swim attire includes: Only clean appropriate attire designed for swimming is permitted in the water. Appropriate swimwear covers the buttocks, pubic region, and breasts.
- Children thirteen (13) years and older may participate at all GSC Parks facilities without an adult, 18 years of age or older (EDLC Exempt).
- If GSC Parks staff encounters any problems with these children, a parent or guardian will be contacted, and the child must be picked up within 30 minutes of notification.
- Disciplinary action may be taken in accordance with POL.A.07.08 – Behavior Management [insert link to policy].
- Children under the age of thirteen (13) are required to have adult supervision at all times.
- Any unsupervised youth thirteen (13) to seventeen (17) years old MUST be registered at the front desk by a parent or guardian as an unsupervised youth.

Personal Items

- Individuals are responsible for their personal belongings.
- GSC Parks and Recreation is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Injuries/Assumption of Risk

Warning - Individuals may suffer physical and/or mental injury from participating in any recreational activity. Participation in recreational activities is completely voluntary. Individuals participate at their own risk and assume responsibility for their own health and safety. GSC Parks are not liable for injuries sustained during participation in any GSC Parks sponsored activity, including but not limited to sports, club sports, informal recreation, group fitness classes, and individual workouts. Participants are required to have their own health/medical insurance coverage. All injuries should be reported to the Manager on Duty (MOD) for the facility and/or staff monitor in charge of the activity, and a complete report of the injury should be recorded on the proper form and filed with GSC Parks. This report, when appropriate, should be completed at the site of the activity. Participants should be careful to follow any doctor's instructions concerning physical handicaps, injuries, illness, and the involvement in any activity.

Brooking Park Concessions Building

Please see policy POL.A.06.04 – Park Rental Policies [insert link to policy] for policies associated with Brooking Park Concession Building.

Ed Davis Learning Center (EDLC)

1. Shoes and shirts are required at all times. No black soled or hard soled shoes allowed.
2. Ed Davis Learning Center is a family friendly facility. The use of profane language is prohibited in all areas of the facility.

3. CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 10 (ten) must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older. The responsible adult must be in sight of the child in all areas of the facility.
4. Running, pushing, shoving and rough play is prohibited.
5. Clean up any messes made inside and outside of the facility.
6. Put away anything you get out.
7. "The sale and/or services of Alcohol Beverages is prohibited in all GSC Parks facilities." Please refer to POL.A.06.06 – Alcohol Rules, Regulations and Policies [insert link to policy].
8. GSC Parks and Recreation is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Please secure your belongings.

Pavilion

Cubby-style storage lockers are available for daily use; to get a lock for one, you need to turn in your ID at the front desk. Lost and found items will be held at the front desk. Please report any lost or stolen items to the Manager on Duty (MOD) at the front desk.

Fitness Areas (Cardio, Weight Room, Green Room)

It is recommended that participants consult with their physician prior to starting a training program. Please consult with Pavilion operations staff before use all the equipment to ensure proper use and follow posted instructions. Personal training and fitness testing services are available at minimal cost to Pavilion users; please inquire with a staff member about these and other services. Please report any equipment malfunctions or medical emergencies to the staff.

1. Must be 16 years old to use the Cardio/Fitness room. Youth Weight Training Orientation Program is available Participants 12 - 15 years of age and then be eligible to use the cardio/ fitness area.
2. T-shirts or tank tops and athletic shoes must be worn at all times in the fitness areas. Water bottles with closed tops are acceptable.
3. Wipe down machines with disinfectant after use
4. Please re-rack plates on plate trees or plate horns when finished. DO NOT leave plates loaded on machines

Gymnasium Rules

9. Food and drinks are PROHIBITED in the gymnasium and pool area. Water bottles are allowed in bleacher area. The patio, concessions area, and balconies are available for eating and drinking.
10. Shoes and shirts are required at all times. No black soled or hard soled shoes allowed.
11. The Pavilion is a family friendly facility. The use of profane language is prohibited in all areas of the facility.
12. No hanging on basketball rims.
13. Full court play is only allowed when it is available. Staff reserves the right to limit pick-up games to half court. Winning teams stay on the court. Staff reserves the right to stop games at any time.

14. CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 13 (thirteen) must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older. The responsible adult must be in sight of the child in all areas of the facility.
15. No kicking or throwing basketballs at the rafters or up to the track.
16. No shooting balls from the track.
17. Soccer is not allowed in the gymnasium area.
18. GSC Parks and Recreation is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Please secure your belongings.

KidZone

At The Pavilion, children should enjoy their experience as much as their parents. Children can stay and play in KidZone while their parents utilize the facility for a nominal fee. Our playroom offers a wide variety of entertainment for children three months through twelve (12) years of age. Children are to NOT be bottle fed in the KidZone and the parent will be responsible to change the child's diaper. It is not necessary to reserve a spot in The KidZone. The parent MUST be participating at The Pavilion in order to use this service!

- Maximum visit is two hours. If the parent abuses the 2 hour length of stay, up to 15 minutes late, a \$5 fee will be charged; \$10 for 15-20 minutes late. For additional policies, please inquire at the Front Desk or The KidZone Room.
- Maximum Capacity – 25
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When is a Child Too Sick for KidZone?

In an effort to prevent the spread of illness to other children and adults, please evaluate your child's health before placing them in KidZone.

If your child has the following symptoms, please refrain from placing them in KidZone until the symptoms have abated or have been evaluated by a physician:

1. Fever
2. Moderate drainage (clear or discolored) from the mouth, nose, eyes, or ears
3. Red Discoloration to the whites of the eye(s)
4. Skin rashes
5. Severe abdominal pain
6. Vomiting
7. Diarrhea
8. Upper respiratory illness such as bronchiolitis or influenza

Natatorium Rules

Pool and facility rules and regulations are intended for the safety of all guests. Failure to follow the rules can result in illness, serious injury or expulsion from the facility.

Storm Policy

If an electrical storm is in the area, the indoor pools and the outdoor pools and features will be closed. The pool closure is an effort to make the Pavilion and Suffoletta Family Aquatic Center safe environments. GSC Parks follows American Red Cross and the National Lightning Safety

Institute guidelines for weather issues. There will be a 30-minute waiting period from the last sight of lightning or sound of thunder.

1. Certified lifeguards will be on duty at all times. Follow lifeguard direction.
2. Do not swim alone.
3. CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 13 (thirteen) must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older. The responsible adult must be in sight of the child in all areas of the facility.
4. CHILDREN 5 (five) YEARS AND YOUNGER MUST BE WITHIN ARMS REACH OF A RESPONSIBLE ADULT AT ALL TIMES WHILE THEY ARE SWIMMING. THIS MEANS THE ADULT MUST SWIM WITH THE CHILD(REN) THEY ARE CHAPERONING.
5. Children under the age of 3 (three) years must wear swim diapers. (Regular diapers are prohibited per the CDC).
6. Safety breaks may be taken during the last fifteen minutes of every hour. The break is for adults and adults with children 5 (five) years and under to swim. There is a 2 (two) child maximum per adult.
7. Patrons MUST shower before entering the pools.
8. Proper swim attire must be worn. (No cut-offs, shorts, leotards, or colored shirts will be allowed. White or light gray t-shirts only)
9. Patrons must be dried, dressed, and wearing shoes before entering other parts of the facility.
10. Street shoes worn on deck must be clean.
11. Use of tobacco or e-cigarette products is not allowed in the Pavilion.
12. Persons with contagious conditions, open wounds, sores, infections, or fungal diseases are not permitted in the pools or the pool area.
13. Running, pushing, shoving and rough play is prohibited in the aquatic area.
14. Spitting, spouting water or blowing nose into the water is prohibited.
15. Aquatics management must approve any floatation device used which is not USCG approved. USCG approved lifejackets are available on a first come, first serve basis. Inflatable water wings and swim noodles are not permitted.
16. No throwing of hard objects.
17. Glass is PROHIBITED in the pool or pool area.
18. Food and drinks are PROHIBITED in the pool or pool area. The patio, concessions area and balconies are available for eating and drinking.
19. Rescue equipment and lifeguard chairs are for staff use only. Lifeguard attire is to be worn by GSC Parks and Recreation staff only.
20. The Pavilion is a family friendly facility. The use of profane language is prohibited in all areas of the facility
21. While using the Lap Pool, patrons must also comply with the Pavilion Pool Rules, Diving Board, Basketball, and Aqua Climb Rules as posted.
22. Additional Pool Rules are posted elsewhere in the pool area. Patrons must comply with all facility rules.

Special Equipment Pool Users

A pool lift is available for swimmers with disabilities who require assistance to enter the pool. Swimmers must provide any type of flotation device needed to swim in the pool.

1. Lifeguards are not trained nor permitted to provide swimming instructions but will assist swimmers with disabilities into and out of the pool lift as needed.
2. It is recommended that individuals coming to use the chair lift contact aquatics management in advance so that the lifeguards will have ample time to install and prepare the pool lift.

Aqua Climb Rules

1. Experienced swimmers only.
2. Only 1 (one) climber at a time on the Aqua Climb. Persons in line must wait until the previous diver or climber has safely reached the pool ladder or wall before climbing on the Aqua Climb.
3. Only one swimmer at a time in the Diving/Drop Zone.
4. Flotation devices are not permitted.
5. No diving and no backflips. Feet first entries only.
6. Please take turns while using the Diving Board and the Aqua Climb.
7. Climbers must exit the Diving/Drop Zone area immediately following entry.
8. While using the Aqua Climb, patrons must also comply with the Pavilion Pool Rules, Lap Pool Rules, and the Diving Board Rules as posted.

Diving Board Rules

1. Experienced swimmers only.
2. Only 1 (one) diver at a time on the diving board. Persons in line must wait until the previous diver or climber has safely reached the pool ladder or side of the pool before climbing on the diving board.
3. Only one swimmer at a time in the Diving/Drop Zone.
4. Only USCG approved life jackets will be allowed. Assistance and catching a participant off the diving board is prohibited.
5. Safe diving must be practiced. No running, cartwheels, sitting, or handstands on the diving board. Inward dives and multiple bounces are prohibited.
6. Diver must dive straight out from the board.
7. Swimming and jumping from the deck are not permitted in the diving area.
8. Please take turns in using the Diving Board and the Aqua Climb.
9. Divers must exit the Diving/Drop Zone area immediately following entry.
10. While using the Diving Board, patrons must also comply with the Pavilion Pool Rules, Lap Pool, and Aqua Climb Rules as posted.

Lap Pool Rules

23. Jumping into the Lap Pool is permitted except in the diving well during diving board use. Look before you jump. Jump feet first and straight out from the wall. Running starts are not allowed.

24. Diving and playing on the starting blocks is not allowed. Swim team and swim lesson participants may use them during practice and at other times with the Aquatic Manager's permission.
25. Hanging on lane ropes and lifelines is prohibited.
26. A chair lift and stairs are available for ease of access.
27. Basketball players MUST participate from the water. NO SLAMDUNKING!
28. Somersaults and back dives from the side of the pools is strictly prohibited.

Leisure Pool Rules

1. Diving is PROHIBITED in the Leisure Pool. Diving is only allowed in the deep end of the Lap Pool and diving well. Somersaults and back dives from the side of the pools are strictly prohibited.
2. Enter and Exit the Leisure Pool slowly.
3. Jumping in the Leisure Pool is prohibited in the Lazy River, Vortex, and other areas deemed unsafe by the lifeguards on duty.
4. Patrons are not permitted to exit the pool between the lazy river and the slide or walk on any of the walls or the island in the Leisure Pool.
5. Do not stand or jump from under the water slide structure or the stairs. Do not climb on or around any structures in the Leisure Pool.
6. While using the Leisure Pool, patrons must also comply with the Pavilion Pool rules, Water Slide Rules and Warm Water Cautions as posted.
7. Pregnant women, elderly persons and persons suffering from any heart condition or disease, diabetes or high/low blood pressure should not enter the pool without prior medical consultation for their physician.
8. Do not use the pools under the influence of alcohol, tranquilizers or other drugs that cause drowsiness or that raise or lower blood pressure.
9. Observe reasonable time limits, (i.e. 10 to 15 minutes) then leave the water and cool down before returning for another brief stay.
10. Long exposure to warm water may result in nausea, dizziness, fainting or death.
11. While using the Leisure Pool, patrons must comply with the Pavilion Pool Rules and Water Slide Rules.

Water Slide Rules

1. Goggles, fins, watches, jewelry, zippers, buckles, snaps, life jackets, and flotation devices are not to be worn while using the slide.
2. Only one person is allowed on the slide at a time. The lifeguard will signal when the next slider may go.
3. Patrons must be 42" tall or taller to use the slide.
4. Patrons who are pregnant, have a fear of heights, or have experienced heart or back problems should not use the slide.
5. Sliders must go down the slide in a sitting position or on their back, feet first.
6. Patrons cannot catch a slider per manufacturer instructions. Only lifeguards are permitted in the catch pool and may assist a slider.

7. While using the Water Slide, patrons must also comply with the Pavilion Pool Rules, Leisure Pool Rules, and Warm Water Rules as posted.

Track Rules

1. You must be 10 (ten) years or older to use the track
2. Do not stand on track to observe activities in the gymnasium.
3. Food and drinks are PROHIBITED on the track. The patio, concessions area, and balconies are available for eating and drinking.
4. Carrying a child while utilizing the track is prohibited
5. Strollers are prohibited from use on the track

Personal Training

Skate Park

1. Know your abilities and skate at your own risk.
2. Children should have parental supervision\
3. Only skateboards, in-line skates, and bicycles allowed in designated skate areas.
4. User shall wear protective equipment (helmets and pads)
5. Horseplay, shoving and/or fighting will not be permitted
6. No smoking, eating and/or drinking allowed in the designated skate area.
7. No alcohol or drugs permitted.
8. No items such as benches, tables, or other objects may be used as ramps.
9. Do not proceed into an area until it is clear of other users.
10. Do not overcrowd the facility.
11. Certain weather conditions such as rain, snow, or ice can adversely affect ramps and surface conditions. Please use care.
12. No spectators inside skating area.
13. If entering the Pavilion for use of vending, water fountains, or bathrooms, no skateboards, in-line skates or bicycles allowed.
14. KRS 411.190 (Kentucky State Recreation User Statute) applies

Suffoletta Family Aquatic Center (SFAC)

Storm Policy

If an electrical storm is in the area, the indoor pools and the outdoor pools and features will be closed. The pool closure is an effort to make the Pavilion and Suffoletta Family Aquatic Center safe environments. GSC Parks follows American Red Cross and the National Lightning Safety Institute guidelines for weather issues. There will be a 30-minute waiting period from the last sight of lightning or sound of thunder.

1. Certified lifeguards will be always on duty. Patrons who do not obey pool rules, will be disciplined based on the severity of the action.
2. There will be NO Rain Checks.
3. An adult (18 years and older) must always accompany children under the age of 13. Children 5 years and younger must always be in arms reach of a responsible adult.

4. All patrons entering the facility will be required to pay an entry fee to enter.
5. Persons leaving the facility will be required to pay additional entry fee upon re-entering.
6. Children under 3 years of age must wear plastic pants or swim diapers per The Center for Disease Control recommendations.
7. NO COOLERS permitted in the facility. NO outside food or drinks are allowed in the facility.
8. Do not leave belongings at concession tables. Concession tables are for eating and drinking only.
9. Food and drink (except water products) are not allowed on the pool deck. Food is allowed on the patio and grass area only per The Center for Disease Control recommendations.
10. NO DIVING allowed anywhere in the Suffoletta Family Aquatic Center.
11. Patrons must shower before entering the water.
12. Proper swim attire must be worn. No cutoffs, shorts or leotards. Only white t-shirts will be allowed.
13. Tobacco products or vaporizing devices allowed in designated areas only.
14. Alcohol is not allowed. Any person suspected of being under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances will be asked to leave the facility.
15. Persons with contagious conditions, open wounds sores, infections or fungal diseases are not allowed in the pool or pool area.
16. Running, pushing, shoving, boisterous and rough play is prohibited.
17. Spitting, spouting water or blowing nose into water is prohibited.
18. The lifeguard must approve ant flotation device. Children unable to swim may use a USCG approved life jacket. Floats and noodles are NOT permitted.
19. Street clothes or street shoes are only permitted on designated areas of the pool deck.
20. There will be a 15-minute safety break every hour for participants under the age of 18 years old.
21. Adults with children 5 years and under may swim during break. There is a maximum of 2 children per adult during break.
22. Animals are not allowed in the facility. Service animals are welcome.
23. Suffoletta Chaise lounges are not allowed in the grass.
24. Management reserves the right to act on any situation that may not be in the best interest and safety of the public.
25. The Georgetown-Scott County Parks and recreation Department in not responsible for any lost or stolen articles.

Water Slide Rules

1. The use of tubes, life jackets, flotation devices, goggles, masks, sunglasses, fins, suits with zippers, or anything plastic or metal on a suit that scratches the slide or other features is not permitted on the slide.
2. Lifeguards will not catch sliders.
3. Only one person is allowed on the slide at a time. The attendant will signal when the next slider may go.
4. Patrons must be 48" tall or taller to use the slide.
5. Patrons, who are pregnant, have a fear of heights or have experienced heart or back problems, should not ride the slide.

6. Sliders must go down the slide on their back, feet first, ankles crossed and hands crossed over chest.
7. There will be a 15-minute safety break every hour for participants under age 18 years.
8. Do not use the railing to push off. Ask the attendant for assistance.
9. Wait at top of stairs until preceding person swims to the ladder. The attendant will indicate when it is safe to begin.
10. Keep moving on the slide.
11. Cutting the line, place holding, and spitting off the tower is not permitted and may result in dismissal from the facility.
12. Exit immediately by the ladder or cross under the rope.
13. Management reserves the right to act on any situation that may not be in the best interest and safety of the public.
14. Failure to follow slide rules can result in serious injury to yourself and others. It will result in the loss of your privilege to use the slide.
15. Maximum rider weight is 300 pounds.
16. Non-swimmers are not permitted.
17. For further information please consult the full set of pool rules in the building. Rules may be adapted or changed as needed and/or without notice.

Spray Ground and Play Feature Rules

1. The Spray Ground Feature is for children up to 10 years of age. The Central Play feature is available for all ages.
2. Children in the spray ground area MUST be under the direct supervision of an adult 16 years and older at all times.
3. Always Walk.
4. Climbing on, diving off, or jumping from play equipment is prohibited.
5. Food and drinks are permitted in grassy eating areas only.
6. Children under 3 years of age must wear plastic pants or swim diapers per the Center for Disease Control recommendations.
7. Management reserves the right to act on any situation that may not be in the best interest and safety of the public.
8. No Lifeguard on duty in this area.
9. For further information please consult the full set of pool rules in the building. Rules may be adapted or changed as needed and/or without notice.

Lazy River Rules

1. Enter and exit from tube area only.
2. Riders must wait for instruction from lifeguard before starting.
3. Riders must use tubes provided. Two sizes are available.
4. Adults (16 years and up) with children 5 years and younger must ride in tubes together.
5. Limit one child per adult. Otherwise only one rider per single rider tube.
6. Children 5 years and younger must be within arm's reach of a responsible adult at all times.
7. Children less than 48" tall must ride in an adults lap.

8. Children under 3 years of age must wear plastic pants or swim diapers due to The Center for Disease Control recommendations.
9. The Double tubes have a two-person limit.
10. No trains or chains.
11. Riders must stay in tube.
12. Always keep moving.
13. One time around then exit immediately when people are waiting.
14. Place tubes in container/holder after use.
15. Management reserves the right to act on any situation that may not be in the best interest and safety of the public.
16. For further information please consult the full set of pool rules in the building. Rules may be adapted or changed as needed and/or without notice.