

# Westwood Swimming and Tennis Association Thornwood, New York

## *Rules and Regulations*

The following is a compilation of state and county regulations and rules that have been established by the Board of Trustees. The purpose of the rules is to create a safe, healthy, attractive environment in which members are able to enjoy Association facilities to the utmost. Parents are requested to caution their children and inform guests to observe rules and follow instructions of the Pool Director, other employees and any Trustee who may be on the premises. Any failure to comply with these rules shall be considered sufficient cause for immediate suspension of all Association privileges for the offending member/family and can, in extreme cases, be considered sufficient cause for permanent cancellation of membership and loss of bond and its refund.

### **I. RULES OF CONDUCT**

Members and their guests should conduct themselves at all times in a manner that will protect the rights of their fellow members and guests in their use and enjoyment of all the Associations facilities and grounds, and to act at all times in a manner to reflect only to the credit and welfare of the Westwood Swimming and Tennis Association. To ensure those rights, the following is **prohibited**:

- Intoxication
- Illegal activities
- Excessive displays of affection
- Fighting, scuffling or horseplay
- Use of abusive or offensive language
- Box radios or loud personal music
- Distributing, posting or removing literature on or from Association property; soliciting, collection or accepting contributions for non—Association activities without prior approval of the Board of Trustees.
- Water guns and water balloons

### **II. MEMBERS' OBLIGATIONS**

[The term Member includes spouse and children of bond holder.]

- The facilities and properties of the Association belong to the members and as such, safeguarding, preservation and protection are the direct responsibility of the entire membership (i.e., members are responsible for repair and/or replacement of property damaged by family members and/or guests).

- If requested by a Trustee, employee or any bona fide member, proof of membership must be shown, if using any Association facility.
- When a member is aware that non—members are using Association facilities without permission or without having been admitted as a guest, such member is expected to report this matter to the Board of Trustees either directly or through the Pool Director. A list of the current Trustees and their phone numbers will be posted on the main bulletin board.

### III. GUESTS

- All guests must be registered at the entrance booth by a member sixteen (16) years or older. (Sitters shall be classified as guests.)
- All guests under the age of sixteen (16) must have a member of at least that age with them during their visit.
- Members caught sneaking in guests will forfeit their bond and lose all membership.
- Members are responsible for the behavior of their guests and their compliance with the rules. And damages incurred by guest(s) behavior will be the financial responsibility of the member. Failure to pay will result in a forfeiture of membership and bond.

### IV. HEALTH

- No food or drinks to be consumed except in the areas designated by the Trustees. The assigned areas are the space adjoining the entrance, the grass on the shallow end of the pool and the picnic area on the north side. **No food or beverage is allowed on the pool decks or the blacktop.**
- No littering. Trash and recycling receptacles are conveniently placed for disposal of waste.
- No smoking or vaping within the gates.
- No pets allowed.
- Expectorating, urinating or blowing of nose in pool is prohibited.
- No person having skin lesions, sore or inflamed eyes, mouth, nose or ear discharge, or who is known to local health officer to be a carrier of the microorganisms of any communicable disease, shall use the swimming pool.
- **Children who are not toilet trained are allowed in the Kiddie pool only.** No disposable/swim diapers are allowed in the main pool.
- Beach shoes are not allowed in the water.

## V. SAFETY

- Children eight and under are not permitted at the pool unless supervised by an adult, brother, sister or babysitter over the age of sixteen.
- Children nine and ten years of age are permitted at the pool unaccompanied by an older person (until 5 P.M.) only if they have passed the deep-water test.
- All members and guests, ages ten and under, must complete a deep-water test in order to swim in the two deeper sections of the pool. Upon successful completion of the test, the child's name and bond number will be taken and posted on a list in the office.
- No sunbathing or sitting in chairs around deck of main pool. You must be behind drain and permanent benches.
- During electrical storms or when there is thunder, everyone must clear the entire facility for 30 minutes from the last occurrence.
- There must be a ½ hour wait after the last thunder or lightning before re-opening the pool.
- No diving permitted around any area of the pool deck. Diving is only permitted from the diving boards.
- Divers must swim directly to the closest ladder after diving.
- Use of the kiddie pool shall be limited to small children. No metal toys shall be allowed there. Parents must be present and ensure appropriate behavior. Children engaging in rough play or dangerous behavior will be asked to leave.
- No air— masks, snorkels, beach balls, toys or other paraphernalia shall be allowed in the main pool. Under conditions determined by the Pool Director, goggles and floats will be permitted in the shallow end of the pool. Tubes are only allowed in the main pool in tube Tuesdays at the discretion of the director. Flippers are allowed to be worn by adults in the lap lane only.
- Swimmies will be permitted in the main pool if the parent is in the water within arm's reach of the child.
- No running or causing undue disturbance in or about the pool area. Nerf balls will be allowed only at the discretion of the Pool Director or staff.
- Use of glass containers is forbidden.
- Gas grills should be turned off when not in use and are to be used only for cooking. Malfunctioning grills should be reported to the staff immediately. Propane tanks should be turned on and off using fingertip pressure. Over cranking them can result in a malfunction.
- All members and their guests shall drive slowly and carefully entering and exiting the parking area. Entrance is accessible from the Valhalla— side driveway only. Exiting is from the Thornwood— side driveway only.

- Unless specifically authorized, no member or guest is allowed in or about the pool and surrounding grounds outside of normal operating hours.
- No skateboards or roller blades.

## VI. OTHER RECREATION DURING SWIMMING SEASON

- Special events will be announced as season progresses.
- Recreation activities such as basketball, volleyball, bocce, shuffleboard and Ping-Pong are available. Competitions will be offered at the discretion of the Pool Director and supervised by the staff.
- Members and their guests using recreational equipment will be required to make a monetary deposit for use of such equipment (which will be refunded upon its return).
- Volleyball permitted only in the area adjoining the picnic area. **There is no hanging at the volleyball net. Members who do so will be financially responsible for purchasing a replacement net and/or poles.**
- Swimming instruction is available, and a schedule will be posted on-the main bulletin board.

## VII. OPERATING SCHEDULE

- POOL –ordinarily opens part-time Memorial Day weekend and full-time the first weekend after local schools close for summer vacation. Closes for winter on Labor Day weekend. Hours are posted on the main bulletin board.
- Pool operation closure due to bad weather (e.g. cold/rain) is at the discretion of the Director.
- TENNIS - Ordinarily from April 15 to November 15; sunrise to 10 P.M.
- BASKETBALL COURTS - During pool hours
- LAP SWIMMING - **Adult Only** lap swimming times will be posted.

## VIII. TENNIS REGULATIONS

- Prime playing time: weekends, holidays and evenings after 5 P.M. on all courts.
- Reservations **must be** made by members for use of the tennis courts. Reservation shall be made online.
- Each member is entitled to sign to play each week per type of tennis:

- A maximum of 4 hours per week
- A maximum of 1 hour per day
- Not more than two days at the same hour
- Unsportsmanlike conduct, such as striking the court surface with the racket or throwing the racket, will cause the player to be removed from the court.
- Tennis players only on court. Children, babies, playpens, carriages, etc. must be outside fence.
- No radios on courts.
- If, for any reason, member cannot play at hour reserved, the member must remove his name from Reservation System.
- If member reserving court fails to appear within 10 minutes after reserved hour begins, court is forfeited.
- Weekends are restricted to doubles only unless no one else wishes to play at a specific hour.
- Any time courts are not reserved they are available on a “first come” basis unless you have already played or are going to play in a reserved time that day.
- Players under 17 must give way to adults on an unreserved court.
- Players under 17 must be accompanied by an adult if playing in prime time.
- Tennis attire is mandatory. Shirts must be worn.
- Tennis sneakers or white rubber—soled sneakers are mandatory. All other footwear prohibited on courts.
- No gum chewing, food or beverage on courts.

## **IX. BASKETBALL COURT**

- Full court play is only allowed if no one is waiting to use the court.
- Hanging on the rim is prohibited, except on the 8ft. dunking basket.
- Glass is not allowed on or around the court.
- Proper footwear is required.
- Radios are prohibited.

## **X. MISCELLANY**

- Lost articles, such as towels, clothing, etc., will be deposited in “Lost and Found” receptacle outside the office for such articles. Such articles, if not claimed, will be removed while the pool is open. Items of value, such as keys, wallets, jewelry, etc., may be claimed and/or reported at the office.
- The NYS Department of Health requires that the entire facility be closed at the first sound of thunder or flash of lightning. Members must clear the facility in its entirety at the announcement of thunder and/or lightning. The facility will remain closed for one half hour after the last sound of thunder or flash of lightning.

**XI. GENERAL**

- The Association will not be responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
- All complaints must be in writing, signed and mailed to:

**Board of Trustees  
Westwood Swimming and Tennis Assoc., Inc.  
Box 100 Thornwood, NY 10594**

**\*\* These rules and regulations may be revised at any time deemed advisable by the Board of Trustees.**

**EQUIPMENT DEPOSITS**

<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>DEPOSIT</u>
Paddles/balls	\$1.00
Shuffleboard equipment	\$1.00
Tennis racquets/balls	\$1.00
Volleyball	\$5.00
Basketball	\$5.00