

## Swim Party/Aquatic Policies

- 1) Renter is the contact/spokesperson for group. All issues will be discussed with renter only.
- 2) For the safety of your children there will be a brief swim test for each child. Anyone refusing to participate in the swim test will be considered a non-swimmer.

### Swim Test

#### **All swimmers passing the swim test will receive a wrist band**

Swimmer will enter the shallow end of the pool at the stairs and line up along the wall in the water. The swimmer will then swim across the width of the pool with their head above water, not touching the bottom, and not vertical in the water. They must make consistent forward progress in the water. After a brief rest the swimmer will then tread water for at least 10 seconds keeping their head and body in a consistent position and will not let their head go below the water.

Swim test is a pass/fail. In the event of failure, the swimmer must wear a lifejacket if 7 years old and under, and will not be permitted past the 5 ft. line of the pool. The ultimate responsibility for pool safety is on the lifeguard; and therefore, he/she has the authority to pass or fail a child on the swim test at their discretion.

#### **For the safety of your young children, the following is required**

- At least 3 adults must be on the pool deck when children 7 and under are present during pool swim time.
- Children 5 and under must have at least one chaperon (16 years or older) in the water at all times. A "YMCA Party Buddy" may be hired for an additional \$30 as an alternative to a parent/chaperon. Coast guard approved life jackets are required for any children who are not in arm's reach of a parent/chaperon.
- Children ages 6 and 7 must wear a coast guard approved life jacket, unless they have passed the swim test or have a parent/chaperon within arm's reach.

- 3) In the event of pool closure due to weather (lightning) you will be given play time in one of our basketball gyms. The Y does not refund or reschedule swim parties due to weather.
- 4) All patrons must shower before entering the pool. We do not furnish towels for swim parties; please have your guests bring their own.
- 5) We do have a large and small pool. Please look at both before making your choice.
- 6) The Y has lifejackets but enough for only a limited number of children. Please consider bringing your own.

For a more detailed description of our pool party rules, please go to <https://youtu.be/u4olQZyXMc4> for more information.