



**EAST STRATFORD RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**POOL AND TENNIS COURTS RULES AND REGULATIONS**



The purpose of these Rules and Regulations is to promote the safe operation of the East Stratford Residential Community Association community swimming pool. The safety of pool patrons rests upon the reasonable conduct of each individual, proper parental supervision of children, and acknowledging the authority of the Pool Manager on duty to enforce these rules.

Nothing in these rules is intended to diminish parental responsibility for their children. Non-swimmers and novice swimmers require additional attention, for which neither the Association nor Pool Management assume responsibility.

The Pool Manager and assistants have been given complete operational authority at the pool. The Manager and assistants, by contract, are responsible to the Board of Directors, and should not be given direction by Association members. If you have a concern or complaint, please contact the Association's management company, Sequoia Management Company, or current management company, listed below.

When the pool is to be closed for a special event, the times and dates of the closure will be posted prior to the closure. Such events may be limited. From time to time, the pool will be closed for repairs and appropriate inspection by County or State officials.

This is your facility. Enjoy it in good health. Thank you for your cooperation.

**CONTACTS**

**Association Management:**

Sequoia Management Company, Inc.  
13998 Parkeast Circle  
Chantilly, Virginia 20151  
(703) 803-9841

**Pool Management:**

Crystal Aquatics  
4150 Lafayette Center Drive, Suite 300  
Chantilly, VA 20151  
(703) 488-9962

**SECTION 1. RIGHTS TO USE THE SWIMMING POOL**

- A. Every member, in good standing, of the East Stratford Residential Community Association has the right to the full use of the community swimming pool.
- B. Association members, by virtue of their use of the community swimming pool, agree to abide by these rules and regulations
- C. The right of Association members to use the pool shall be suspended during any period in which any assessment against his/her lot remains unpaid [Article VII.1:8, Declaration for East Stratford].
- D. Any Association member violating these rules, or any other rules of the Association, including but not limited to, Architectural Control Guidelines, the Tennis Court Rules or Clubhouse Rules, may have his/her right to use the pool suspended for a period not to exceed sixty days [Section 1:8].
- E. A pool pass will be issued to those people age 4 and older who reside on the property. Any member who has a special circumstance may bring it to the attention of the pool committee at a regularly scheduled meeting. The committee will inform the member of its decision within 48 hours after the meeting.

**SECTION 2. ENFORCEMENT OF RULES**

- A. The Pool Manager and the Lifeguards are responsible for the safe and orderly operation of the pool. Any matter requiring immediate action shall be brought to the attention of the Pool Manager. The Pool Manager or his/her Assistant may eject anyone, at any time, from the pool enclosure for up to 24 hours. Such action shall be reported to the Chairperson of the Pool Committee for appropriate action.
- B. Serious or repeated infractions of the regulations shall be reported to the Board of Directors or Management Company for appropriate action.
- C. Any Association member, whose right to use of the pool has been suspended, may appeal that suspension to the Board of Directors at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

**SECTION 3. IDENTIFICATION**

- A. For identification and admission purposes, the pool pass will be brought to the pool for the staff to verify membership before allowing a swimmer into the pool. The pool pass is to be picked up when you leave the pool for the day. You must keep your pool passes from year to year as any replacement passes are charged at a fee of \$10.00 per pass. A child's pool pass may be updated every few years at no charge, upon surrender of the original pass.
- B. In order to obtain a pool pass, members need to contact Sequoia Management or current management company during regular business hours. All pool passes will be issued by Sequoia Management or current management company at their office or other designated location.

**SECTION 4. POOL/POOLHOUSE HOURS**

Pool Hours	
<u>WHILE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE IN SESSION</u>	
M-F	4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sat, Sun, Holidays	11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
<u>WHILE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED</u>	
Daily and Holidays	11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

\* Please be considerate. The pool, locker room, and all facilities close promptly at the stated closing time. \*

**SECTION 5. GUESTS**

- A. Each adult pass allows for two (2) guests to utilize the pool when accompanied by the pass holder. Each adult guest may supervise up to three (3) guest children.
- B. Association members shall accompany their guests to the pool, be responsible for their conduct, and for any damage incurred to community property by those guests. Failure to pay for such damage shall be grounds for suspension of the right to use of the swimming pool.

## SECTION 6. HEALTH AND SANITATION

- A. All persons are required to wear proper bathing attire and take a shower prior to entering the pool. Cutoffs and street clothes are not permitted. Only non-marking street shoes or appropriate pool shoes will be allowed on the pool deck area.
- B. Glass containers are not permitted within the confines of the pool fence.
- C. Admission shall be refused to all persons having colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infections, or wearing bandages. Any persons with any type of contagious diseases are expected to use good judgment and refrain from entering the pool enclosure.
- D. No pets are permitted in the pool area.
- E. All trash shall be placed in the containers provided for this purpose.
- F. Spitting, spouting of water, chewing gum, blowing nose in pool, or similar unhygienic actions are not permitted.
- G. Smoking is not permitted on the pool deck area or elsewhere within the pool facility and clubhouse.

## SECTION 7. RULES FOR CHILDREN

- A. In order to prevent excessive fatigue or chilling, children 17 years of age and under are required to leave the main pool, upon signal of the lifeguard, for a 10-minute period at the end of each hour, with the exception of the last hour of swim, and will not be allowed to reenter the pool until the rest period is over.
- B. All children under 14 years of age shall be accompanied into the pool area by a responsible person who shall remain in the pool area. All inexperienced and novice swimmers shall have a responsible person who is attentive and within easy reaching distance of the swimmer at all times. A responsible person is considered as anyone 18 years or older.
- C. For health reasons, children who are not potty trained **MUST** wear snug fitting plastic pants over swim diapers specifically designed for use in swimming pools when they are using either the wading pool or the adult pool. Bathing suits shall also be worn. **DISPOSABLE DIAPERS ARE PROHIBITED IN THE POOL** (plastic pants with terry liners are a good alternative for toddlers). If this rule is not observed, closing of the pool for a complete refiltration, requiring two hours or more, may be necessary. Please throw disposable diapers in the trash containers located in the restrooms before entering the pool area. Do not use the containers outside for disposable diapers.
- D. Children that cannot swim will not be allowed to venture into deep water in the adult pool unless they are under the close supervision of the person with the child.

## SECTION 8. WADING POOL

- A. No lifeguard provided at wading pool.
- B. Children over 6 years may not use the wading pool.
- C. **DISPOSABLE DIAPERS ARE PROHIBITED.** Rubber or plastic pants with tight fitting legs shall be worn over the cloth diapers and a bathing suit shall be worn.
- D. All children using the wading pool shall be accompanied by a responsible person who shall remain within the wading pool enclosure.

## SECTION 9. GENERAL RULES

- A. ALL MEMBERS SHALL RESPECT THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF HOMEOWNERS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. DO NOT USE OUR NEIGHBOR'S LAWNS FOR SHORTCUTS OR IN ANY WAY VIOLATE THE RIGHT OF OTHERS.
- B. No diving is permitted.
- C. No alcoholic beverages are permitted anywhere on the East Stratford Residential premises, including the parking area, except when approved by the Board of Directors in connection with adult social activities.
- D. No persons under the influence of alcoholic beverages or drugs shall be permitted on the property.
- E. Profanity, whether oral or by gesture, is prohibited in the pool area.
- F. No persons shall use the pool unless it is officially open and lifeguards are on duty. Trespassers will be prosecuted.
- G. All injuries which occur on the premises shall be reported to the Pool Manager immediately.
- H. The cost of any property damage shall be charged to the member found responsible.
- I. The HOA shall not be responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
- J. The use of media players WITHOUT headphones shall be prohibited.
- K. There shall be no "reserving" of deck chairs.
- L. No balls, canoes, inner tubes, masks, fins, or snorkels are permitted in the main pool. THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE CHILDREN'S WATER WINGS AND TRAINING FINS. Nerf balls shall be allowed at the discretion of the lifeguards. Goggles, approved by the pool management staff, shall be permitted.
- M. Breakable containers, glass baby bottles and glass food jars are prohibited in the pool area.
- N. Running, pushing, wrestling, dunking, or causing undue disturbance in or around the pool is prohibited.
- O. Gum or chewing tobacco is prohibited in the pool area.
- P. All bicycle riders shall park their bicycles in the area designated for that purpose.
- Q. No skateboards or skates shall be used on the East Stratford Residential premises, particularly the parking lot. This is to ensure safety of the skateboard rider/skater from moving/backing vehicles.
- R. Attachable flotation devices may be approved by the pool management for use by the handicapped at any time.
- S. Ladders are to be used generally only for exiting the pool. However, special situations may arise which could necessitate someone entering the pool by the ladders. In those cases, entry will be made by backing down the steps.
- T. Association members and their guests are required to leave the pool and pool house by closing time.
- U. To preclude the possibility of lost articles, all clothing, and towels brought to the pool or recreation area should be marked so they are readily identifiable. The Association is not responsible for loss or damage to personal belongings, bicycles, or automobiles on the Association premises. Lost articles may be claimed from the Pool Manager.

#### SECTION 10. PARKING AND SPEED LIMIT

- A. The speed limit on the premises (driveway and parking area) is five (5) m.p.h. It is requested that members not park on the street if at all possible.
- B. Vehicle maintenance is prohibited in the parking lot.
- C. Overnight or commuter parking is prohibited in the parking lot, unless preauthorized by the Board of Directors. Unauthorized vehicles found in the lot are subject to towing without further notice at the vehicle owners' risk and expense.
- D. "Loitering" on premises after pool hours is prohibited.

#### SECTION 11. INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The final interpretation of any rules shall be made and approved by the Board of Directors and/or their designated representatives; namely, the Pool Committee and the Pool Management Company.

#### SECTION 12. TENNIS COURT REGULATIONS

- A. The tennis courts are private. They are exclusively reserved for members in good standing of East Stratford Homeowners Association, and authorized guests. Trespassing on the courts and/or use by unauthorized individuals is prohibited.
- B. All players as stated in the USTA code shall observe tennis etiquette.
- C. Monday through Friday from 6:00 p.m. until dusk, children (ages 16 and under) may only play with an adult member or when no adult members are waiting to use the courts.
- D. Excluding organized activities approved by the HOA, such as a tennis tournament or social, each owner or member may use the courts for a maximum of 2 consecutive hours at a time unless another owner is waiting to play, in which the maximum court time will be 1 hour. The owner waiting to play must remain at the court to enforce the count-out rule. Any member who wishes to organize and host a tennis tournament or social should contact Sequoia Management Company for approval and scheduling.
- E. Court #1 is located closest to the pool house. Court #2 is farthest from the pool house.
- F. An owner or member may hire an individual, such as a tennis pro, to give him or her lessons on the tennis courts. No member, owner or guest may use the courts more than 2 hours per day for profit by teaching tennis lessons unless first receiving written permission from the HOA. The Board reserves the right to revoke this privilege at any time. A violation may result in suspension or loss of membership privileges.
- G. No more than 4 individuals are permitted on a tennis court at any time.
- H. The tennis courts are to be used for tennis only. All other activities are prohibited on the courts.
- I. Bicycles, roller skates, roller blades, skateboards, baby carriages, playpens and radios are not allowed on the courts.
- J. Climbing is not permitted on the tennis courts, fences, or any landscaping surrounding the tennis courts.
- K. Appropriate attire will be worn on the courts, including proper flat-soled non-marking tennis shoes. Hard-soled shoes, cleats, jogging shoes and soccer shoes are prohibited.
- L. Glass bottles, alcoholic beverages and food are prohibited on the courts.
- M. Each user must remove all paper, debris and personal belongings from the court(s) upon departure.
- N. Pets are not permitted on the tennis courts at any time.

- O. Damage to the court surface, net, gate, fence, etc. should be promptly reported to Sequoia Management Company at (703) 803-9641.
- P. It is important to everyone's enjoyment of the facilities that these rules and regulations are observed. Violations may result in suspension of membership privileges. Violations should be reported to Sequoia Management Company.

#### SECTION 13. LAKE FACILITY REGULATIONS

- A. The Lake Facility is a private structure for the aesthetic enjoyment of all Stratford owners. However, the lake is also a Best Management Practice (BMP) structure designed to reduce impacts of pollutants and increased storm water on local streams caused by development. It is an essential part of the region's efforts to restore aquatic habitats in the Potomac River and the Chesapeake Bay, and must be properly maintained to preserve this function. Therefore, the maintenance and upkeep of this facility is a significant cost to the HOA, to preserve its long-term viability and its aesthetic value to the HOA owners.
- B. Due to safety concerns, swimming, wading, boating, ice skating, sledding, feeding of the geese or any other water fowl, or trespassing within the waters of the lake facility will NOT be allowed, including the metal catwalk to the primary intake structure. Failure to observe these regulations may result in a charge of up to \$200.
- C. The lake is stocked with fish. Fishing Rules and Regulations for the HOA owners will be developed once the fish population has been established and maintained. Fishing in the lake is catch and release only.

#### SECTION 14. GENERAL

- A. The facilities of the HOA including the physical plant, decorations, signs, equipment, trees and plant life are an expensive asset of the Association. Willful destruction or damage of Association property by individuals is an encroachment upon the rights and investment of the entire membership. Properly damage will be charged to the responsible members of the Association.
- B. Trash and litter shall be discarded in the containers provided. Please help KEEP YOUR ASSOCIATION FACILITY CLEAN.
- C. Food and refreshments may be consumed only in designated areas.
- D. The Town of Leesburg Police is authorized to enter the HOA facility premises at any time and exercise the same authority as in any public place.
- E. The use of profanity or other offensive language will be justification for eviction from the premises.
- F. The Board for East Stratford shall act upon situations not specifically covered in these rules and regulations. The HOA is also empowered to amend, add or delete rules as they deem appropriate for the good of the membership.
- G. All complaints or concerns regarding the pool or tennis courts and their management should be in writing and mailed to the East Stratford Residential Community Association, c/o Sequoia Management Company, 13998 Parkeast Circle, Chantilly, VA 20151.