

# **2017 NEW SHERWOOD POOL AND TENNIS CLUB RULES**

**Allistair and Fernmarch Roads  
829-5697**

*All persons using the pool do so at their own risk and the New Sherwood Pool and Tennis Association (NSPTA) assumes no responsibility for injury or damage resulting from such use. The responsibility of parents and/or adult members who accompany children to the pool continues while the children are in or near the pool or on Association property. The following rules and regulations are for the protection and benefit of all users of the pool facilities and are designed to assure safe and sanitary operation of your pool. Members are expected to see to it that their children understand and observe all rules and obey all instructions of the lifeguards and other pool attendants. Repeated failure to comply with these rules shall be considered sufficient cause for suspension of privileges.*

## **1. Membership**

**Association Memberships:** The Sherwood Association includes residents who reside in the following areas: Sherwood, Lytchfield, The Villas, Sherwood Hills, Hills IV, Hills V, Camelot, Shelburne Village, and the Single Family Home section. Membership to the New Sherwood pool and Tennis Club are available at any time to these residents who are current dues paying members. “Association” rates apply.

**Associate Memberships:** are available as space permits to anyone residing in the surrounding area designated by the pool committee and approved by the board. The approved area is kept on file in the property manager office. Current memberships are given priority over new applications. “Associate” rates apply.

**Affiliate Memberships:** are available as space permits to those families who reside outside of the NSPT geographical boundary, or current members who have moved outside of this defined boundary (non-residential associates) and have allowed their membership to lapse. Affiliate families must be sponsored by a current NSPT member (Association/Associate) in good standing. An Association or Associate family **may not sponsor more than three (3) Affiliate families**. All applications will be reviewed by the “New Members Committee”.

**Limited Guest Status:** Residents of the membership area are encouraged to join the pool and therefore, will be limited to attend as guests of a member for a maximum of six (6) visits per season.

**Association Member Temporary Pass:** Sherwood Association members may obtain a Temporary Pass by contacting Paragon Properties to sign a waiver and then will be issued a signed “Temp Pass. These passes are available for \$50/week or \$10/day. Pass must be presented to pool staff upon arrival and members are expected to know and adhere to all pool rules. Pass is not transferrable and proof of identity may be required at sign in. Pass may also be obtained for use of non-pool amenities during off season. Temporary passes are limited to 4 weekly passes per calendar year, or 6 day passes per calendar year.

**Court Side Only Membership:** Available to those residents, eligible to join, for an annual fee of \$85.00 per family. Privileges include access to court side activities only. No pool access or activities are allowed. No rate discounts apply.

## 2. Safety

- A. For your safety and the safety of your children, all members and guests must sign in upon arrival each day. The staff will maintain a list of active pool members and will verify membership at each visit.
- B. The Pool Manager, assistant managers, and lifeguards are in complete charge and will guard from one, two or three chairs provided at all times including the regular 10 minute rest period.
- C. The following items/actions are prohibited:
- weapons (can result in a suspension of privileges or prosecution)
  - vandalism or abuse of the property or equipment (can result a in suspension of privileges or prosecution)
  - glass or other breakable objects
  - smoking in bathrooms
  - smoking by those under 21
  - pushing others into the water
  - running
  - towel snapping and “noodle” slapping
  - foul language
  - excessive horseplay and/or dunking
  - littering
  - chewing gum
  - spitting
  - indecent behavior
  - sitting on tables
  - skateboards, roller blades, bicycles, etc. may not be used within the fenced areas of the pool or tennis courts
  - pets, other than service animals
- NOTE:** balls, Frisbees, rafts, water guns and squirters may be prohibited by pool management at very busy times; only soft balls may be permitted in the pool area.
- D. Bathers must stay clear of the guard chairs. Communication with guards is to be kept to a minimum. Members are to refrain from distracting guards from their duties.
- E. All candy wrappers, drink cans, cigarette butts, leftover food, etc. must be placed in the proper receptacles. During any rest period or when deemed necessary by the guards, the pool area will be cleared by “litter bugs” before swimming will be continued. Members are encouraged to utilize the available recycling containers appropriately.
- F. A personal music device or a personal television may be played softly on pool property at the discretion of the lifeguards. Under no condition shall any such device be connected to pool electrical facilities.
- G. All accidents must be reported to the lifeguards immediately.
- H. There shall be a 10-minute rest period each hour for all members 16 and under. Members 17 (and older), and non-swimming children under the age of 5 (accompanied by a responsible adult) may use the pool during the rest period.

- I. A series of rapid blasts on the whistle will be used by the lifeguard as an emergency signal. The pool will be cleared immediately and the lifeguard will direct those present to render assistance as necessary.
- J. Children in the wading pool must be supervised by a responsible adult. **NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.** See Rule #4.
- K. Playground area 1 is designed for children ages 3 to 6. Children on the playground must be supervised by a responsible adult. Playground area 2 is designed for children age 5 – 12. Children over 12 may not use the playground equipment.

**3. Deep End Rules**

- A. Only one person is permitted on the diving board and ladder at a time. Hanging, bouncing or swimming under the board is prohibited. Please note: during the last ten minutes before break, the diving board may be closed to allow our swimmers to participate in the popular game of “Sharks/Minnows”
- B. Children under age 5 years, and non-proficient swimmers, are not allowed to use the diving board or swim in the deep end, unless a responsible adult is in the water supervising and assisting them.
- C. No diving from the sides or playing in the deep end while the board is open for diving. Cartwheels, handstands, or hanging off the board are prohibited. Only 1 (one) bounce per dive. No floats allowed in the deep end.

**4. Health**

- A. All persons, especially children, are requested to use toilet facilities before entering the pool.
- B. Persons with skin eruptions, open sores, bandages, etc. are not permitted to swim.
- C. Should a lifeguard detect a swimmer becoming chilled or exhausted, it is his/her responsibility to attend to the swimmer by enforcing a responsible rest period.
- D. Bathing suits are the only attire to be worn in the pool. No cutoffs are allowed.
- E. Prior to entering the pool, a person should shower. Oil based tanning products are not permitted.
- F. Children who are not potty trained must wear Huggies “Little Swimmers” or an equivalent product. Traditional cloth and disposable diapers are not allowed in the pools. This requirement applies to both the big pool and the wading pool.

**5. Wading Pool: NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY**

- A. The wading pool is for the use of children 5 years or younger. Children must be supervised by a responsible adult inside the wading pool fenced area at all times. Children older than 5 years are not allowed in the wading pool except when accompanying a younger sibling and a responsible adult.

- B. Applicable rules listed under “Pool Rules” must be observed in the wading pool also. These will be enforced.
- C. Children who are not potty trained must wear Huggies “Little Swimmers” or an equivalent product. Traditional cloth and disposable diapers are not permitted in the pools.
- D. Toys and inflated swimming aids will be permitted. Inflatable rafts will not be permitted in the wading pool.

**6. Age Limit for Admission**

- A. Children under age 10 will not be admitted to the pool unless accompanied and supervised by a responsible adult. This will be enforced.
- B. Children between the ages of 10 and 12 will be admitted without an adult only when they have demonstrated swimming ability and appropriate conduct to the satisfaction of the lifeguards. An appointment must be scheduled with a guard on duty by the child’s parent or guardian for the child to take a swimming test.

Swimming Test: The swimming test will meet the requirements of the Red Cross Advanced Beginner course. Each child must demonstrate their ability to do the following: enter shallow water and competently swim the length of the pool using elementary back stroke and/or free style. Then the child must swim in place for one minute.

Children between the ages of 10 and 12 and who have passed the swimming test may be left at the pool unsupervised for a maximum of four (4) consecutive hours each day.

- C. Children between the ages of 13 and 15 may be left at the pool unsupervised for a maximum of six (6) consecutive hours each day. This will be enforced.
- D. Prior arrangements must be made with the Pool Manager if children are to be supervised by a teenage babysitter. Any special circumstance shall be addressed to the Pool Management.

**7. Guests**

- A. Members may bring local guests at a rate of \$5 per guest per day.
- B. Guests who reside in the NSPTA membership area will be limited to six (6) visits per season.
- C. Guest fees must be paid to the lifeguard at the gate at the time of check in. Guests are required to sign in with a member.
- D. Babysitters will have all the responsibilities and privileges of members during their hours of employment. As stated earlier, arrangements must be made with the Pool Manager if a teenage babysitter is to be responsible for a child at the pool. Babysitters must be listed as such on the members Emergency Form.

**8. Parties**

- A. All parties must be held during the regular pool operating hours.

- B. All party requests must be submitted in writing to the Pool Manager at least one week in advance. The Pool Manager reserves the right to restrict the number of parties on any given day as well as the size of the party.

A guest list must be submitted upon arrival. Guest fees apply to all non-members who attend the party or a \$50.00 rental fee whichever is less. Adult supervision is mandatory for children's parties. No more than two pool tables and their corresponding chairs may be reserved for parties; however, the host member may bring folding tables or chairs from home.

**9. Identification of Swimmers**

- A. For insurance and liability purposes, all members are required to register upon entering the pool area each day. Pool staff will maintain a list of paid members and will verify membership at each visit.
- B. All guests must be registered and accompanied by the host member.

**10. Phone Use**

All staff, members and guests are permitted to use the phone for short calls. There is a 3-minute limit for everyone using the phone.

**11. Rule Change**

- A. Rules will be reviewed periodically by the Pool Committee and Management for necessary changes. Any suggestions are welcomed and should be submitted in writing to the Pool Committee.
- B. All complaints regarding the operation of the pool should be addressed to the Pool Manager.

**12. Pool Hours**

- A. Pool operating hours will be set each year by the Pool Manager. Normal operating hours are 11:00am – 8:00pm daily.
- B. Swimming outside regular pool operating hours is prohibited, with the exception of Adult Swim. See Rule #13.
- C. Pool hours may be changed by the Pool Manager or guard in charge due to inclement weather or emergency conditions. The pool will be cleared immediately after each incident of thunder and/or lightning and will remain clear for a minimum of 30 minutes.

**13. Adult Swim**

- A. Adults (aged 21 and over) must contact Paragon Properties at 760-6500 to purchase a key for \$25.
- B. Hours for Adult Swim are 6-8 am, daily.
- C. There is NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY – SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK.

- D. No children or guests are allowed in the pool area during adult swim for any reason.
- E. The gate should be locked behind you.
- F. Non-adherence to all of the above rules will result in the loss of privileges and forfeiture of your deposit (\$25).
- G. At the end of the pool season, all keys must be returned to Paragon Properties. At that time \$20 will be refunded. There is a \$25 charge for a replacement key.

### **COURT SIDE RULES**

1. The tennis courts and recreation areas are under the supervision of the Pool Manager, Assistant Managers, and lifeguards.
2. Tennis courts are reserved for tennis players only. No other activity is allowed in the tennis court area. Food and drink, other than water, is prohibited.
3. The courts are for your use and enjoyment. Please do your part by observing all rules and by reporting any infractions to the Pool Manager and/or staff.
4. Only NSPTA or “Court Side Only” members and their guests are eligible to use the courts. A list of all members will be maintained in the pool office. If a member believes that non-members are using the court area, he/she should immediately report this to the Pool Manager and/or staff.
5. Tennis shoes must be worn at all times. Street shoes, shoes with black soles, and bare feet are not allowed on the tennis courts.
6. Pets are not allowed. Littering is not allowed.
7. Tennis court vandalism or abuse will result in a suspension of privileges or prosecution.
8. Do not practice against the fence at any time.
9. No roller blades, skateboards, bikes, scooters or other vehicles are allowed inside in the entrance gate at any time. Strollers and wheel chairs are permitted.
10. Be sure that the gate is securely fastened when you are finished using the court.
11. Refer to posted rules and bulletin board at court for updated information.

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