



Deer Lake Pool Opening 2022 Season Guidelines Spring 2022

The DeerLake Board of Directors is pleased to announce that our pool will be opening April 30th.

We are taking recommendations also from Georgia Department of Public Health (GDPH), the CDC and AMS Pools, our pool management company to meet the mandates of the EO that Governor Kemp signed last year. We will continue to monitor the guidelines and recommendations to develop our best effort to provide as safe an environment as possible for those wanting to enjoy our pool this summer.

While we are excited to get the pool open for member use, please be aware that this is a fluid plan and may be adjusted based on current events, changes to guidelines and how well we manage the flow of members at the pool. There will be numerous modifications to our normal operations and procedures that will need to take place for a safe pool season. We have developed the Pool Operating Plan outlined below for the initial opening of the pool respecting social distancing and health guidelines while maintaining a clean swimming environment.

Our Board is formed from volunteers who are your neighbors and residents of this community. Therefore, the Board wants to avoid us having to police the neighborhood and we do not have the resources to keep watch of all pool activities. That said, residents will need to do their part in the community to help ensure patrons are adhering to the guidelines, as it is not the job of the lifeguard. If we find repeated violations and non-adherence to the guidelines, the Board will be forced to close our pool.

Pool Operating Plan

To reduce the risk of spreading or contracting Covid-19 at our pool, we have provided the following guidelines and procedures. It is imperative that any residents who decide to use the pool this season follow these guidelines.

- 1. Per CDC recommendations: “if you or anyone in your household is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, you should stay home until the CDC’s published isolation criteria are met” and not enter the pool area.**
- 2. No Limited Time to Stay at the pool.** There will be no time limit at the pool this year. Also, **NO** children under the age of 14 are allowed unless accompanied by their parent(s).
- 3.** Our capacity will not be limited this season. This will change though if COVID cases spike this summer.
- 4. Pool Furniture to be set out.** We will put out all the pool furniture. The cushioned couches under the shade canopy will also be set out along with limited tables. We have purchased new chaise lounges and umbrellas for this pool season.
- 5. Practice Social Distancing.** Keep a minimum distance of six (6) feet between family units. This policy will be self-policed. Social distancing in the water must be respected. Do not remain near pool steps so that members can enter and exit the water.
- 6. Pool floats/balls/noodles, etc.** Floats, noodles, balls, etc. will be allowed in the pool. This may be restricted if COVID cases spike. Children may wear floaties.
- 7. Pool Rules.** Members are expected to adhere to normal and standard pool rules. Please do not share your pool access code with anyone outside of your family and do not open the gate for people trying to access the pool.

- 8. In the event of a Covid-19 Exposure.** Should the Board be informed that a resident, who visited the pool, tests positive for Covid-19, we will need to close the pool for 72 hours to allow for the area to be cleaned and disinfected. **If there is a Covid-19 exposure, please contact Eric Lukas (404) 312-8247 immediately.**
- 9. No Splash Zone:** The bump out with steps is a No Splash Zone on weekends only.
- 10. Kids Pool:** The kids pool area is for children aged 7 and under only. Parents need to be present when children are in this area.
- 11. Pool Season Dates and Hours:**
Season: April 30th to September 30th
Hours: 10am to 8pm Daily

Note: It is swim at your own risk from 10am to Noon since lifeguards are NOT on duty

12. Lifeguard and Monitor

- May 21st to May 28th: Weekends ONLY from Noon to 8pm
- May 29th to September 5th: Daily from Noon to 8pm
- September 6th to September 30th: Weekends ONLY from Noon to 8pm

When Lifeguards are not on duty it is swim at your own risk

Recommendations:

Members are welcome to wear face masks when at the pool or visiting restrooms. Face masks **should NOT** be worn in the pool as they can be difficult to breathe through when wet.

Members are encouraged to wash their hands and cover their coughs and sneezes.

Hand sanitizer will be provided for members. It is strongly encouraged to sanitize hands before and after using high-touch areas, such as pool handles, door handles, gates, water fountain, etc.

Our guidelines are put together based on expectations set by the Governor's Executive Order and helpful guidelines published by the CDC, GPH and Sears Pool Management Consultants:

<https://gov.georgia.gov/executive-action/executive-orders/2020-executive-orders>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/parks-rec/aquatic-venues.html>

<https://dph.georgia.gov/environmental-health/pools>

<https://amspools.com>