

Use of City Swimming Pools by Day Care Centers, Agencies, or Private Swimming Classes

A. For the purpose of this policy, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning. Agency means organizations that provide supervised care for children, including, but not limited to, state schools and hospitals, summer day camps, and private schools.

DEFINITIONS

Day Care Center means any person or organization that provides care for six or more children.

<u>Private Swimming Instructors</u> means any person providing swim lessons to an individual or groups either for compensation or for free.

<u>Staff Member</u> means any person who is employed by a day care center or agency which uses a city swimming pool.

B. In order to use a City of Flatonia swimming pool for either recreational swimming or swimming instruction, any day care center or agency or private instruction class shall have a permit issued by the City Manager or designee. Facilities and times for use shall be assigned to each group by the City Manager or his or her designee.

C. The following ratios from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services must be followed at all times:

Age of Child – Number of Staff to Number of Children

0 - 23 months - 1 to 1 2 years - 1 to 2 3 years - 1 to 6 4 years - 1 to 8 5 years - 1 to 10 6 years & older - 1 to 12

D. The following certifications and degrees of participation are required of staff members of day care centers or agencies:

1. All day care center or agency staff members must have the following current certifications:

a. Community Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or equivalent (must be renewed every year)

b. Community First Aid or equivalent (must be renewed every three years)

2. At all times, at least one staff member from any group must be at least 18 years of age, and shall have the certifications listed in subsection

3. Proof of all certifications for staff members must be on file with the City Manager or designee, before a day care center or agency may use a City swimming pool for recreation or instruction.

4. All certified day care center or agency staff shall wear swimsuits and shall participate in the water while supervising the children in the water in the ratio stated in the subsection above.

E. Private formal swimming instruction, whether offered by a day care center or agency or by an individual swimming instructor, shall be scheduled as specified by the City Manager designee. All teachers shall be certified according to standards established by the United States Swim School Association or equivalent, and proof of certification must be on file with the City Manager or designee before classes may be taught in a City swimming pool. All private instructors shall wear swimsuits and participate in the water while providing swimming lessons.

F. Failure of any day care center or agency or private swimming instructor to comply with the provisions of this policy shall result in denial of access to the pool and may result in revocation of the privilege to use City swimming facilities. If it is shown that the day care center or agency or private swimming instructor had prior knowledge of this policy, revocation will be for the remaining summer season. Subsequent violation of this section by any day care center or agency or private swimming instructor within 24 months shall result in revocation of City swimming pool use privileges for a minimum of one year. Revocation of swimming pool privileges shall be by written direction of the City Manager. A signed policy in agreement of these policies and rules must be turned into the City Manager by the designated date.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CITY OF FLATONIA POLICY FOR USE OF CITY SWIMMING POOLS BY DAY CARE CENTERS, AGENCIES, OR PRIVATE SWIMMING CLASSES.

Organization

Organization Representative Signature

Representative's Printed Name

Date