

NEW EARSWICK RECREATIONAL SWIMMING CLUB POOL RULES

1. The regulations for use of the pool laid down by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation shall apply to members of the New Earswick Swimming Club.
2. Admission to the pool during sessions hired by the New Earswick Swimming Club will be allowed only upon the production of a current membership card.
3. Membership cards are not transferable and any member so doing shall be liable to suspension and possible loss of membership. Any membership card used to gain admission for an unauthorised person will be confiscated and will not be returned to the owner until the Committee has decided what action shall be taken.
4. It is the member's responsibility to arrange for the replacement of lost membership cards.
5. Juniors under the age of 8yrs will not be allowed in the water unless accompanied by an adult member (18yrs or over), and that person must exercise constant supervision.
6. Membership fees are not normally returnable.
7. Non-members
 - Visitors (someone visiting or staying with a club member) may use all the club facilities provided he/she is accompanied by the Club member.
 - All visitors will be charged an admission fee, and their particulars will be entered into the visitor book.
 - Non-member spectators are admitted to watch only.
8. Swimming aids and accessories
 - Floats, woggles, arm bands and lifebelts are only permitted for use during Recreational Sessions by non-swimmers and within the roped off area at the shallow end.
 - Snorkels, facemasks (excepting goggles), flippers and other underwater equipment are not permitted.
 - Balls, coins and other such objects are not permitted.
9. Jewellery and watches must not constitute a danger or hazard to the wearer or other swimmers.
10. Hair which is shoulder length or longer, must be tied back securely or a hat worn.
11. Lifeguards and Supervisors

The Committee has appointed lifeguards and supervisors to be responsible for the operation of the pool during sessions hired by the New Earswick Swimming Club. A list of lifeguards and supervisors showing the sessions for which they are responsible is posted on the notice board on the balcony, poolside. The responsibilities of the lifeguards and supervisors have been defined as follows:

 - Lifeguards, who must be qualified lifesavers as defined by the Committee, are responsible for all matters of safety and operation in the pool area, i.e. the pool and the pool surrounds.
 - Supervisors are responsible for the changing rooms, toilets, foyer, balcony and the remainder of the building other than the pool and the pool surrounds.

- Supervisors must ensure that only those authorised under these rules enter and use the facilities of the Club. Membership cards must be handed to the supervisor to gain admittance and are retained until the member leaves the session. Supervisors are empowered to retain membership cards for submission to the Committee, to refuse entry to members and to suspend membership.
- Life guards and supervisors have authority additionally to:
 - Ensure that the times and restrictions laid down for the use of each session are adhered to.
 - To evict from the pool and withhold membership card of anyone who is considered to be a danger or nuisance to him/herself or other members present or for any other reason which the lifeguard or supervisor considers warrants eviction and/or suspension.
 - To have access to all parts of the pool, changing rooms, toilets, etc. in order to maintain order and carry out their duties under this and other sections of the rules.
 - To limit the number of members to be allowed in the pool at any time.
 - Any member has the right to appeal, in writing, to the Committee if refused entry, suspended, evicted, or any other matter.

12. Swimmers must not enter the changing rooms until permitted to do so by the supervisor, lifeguard or instructor.

13. Damage to property and stealing can result in expulsion from the Club.

14. Complaints, criticisms, suggestions, etc. should be handed in writing, to the supervisor of the session, or the Club Secretary, who will then bring the matter to the attention of the Committee

15. When the coloured rope is in position non-swimmers should remain on the shallow side of the rope. Swimmers, excepting those aiding non-swimmers, should remain on the deep side of the rope.

16. The toilets must not be used for changing.

17. In the event of a major accident inform the lifeguard or supervisor. The emergency 9999 telephone is situated in the entrance on the wall. Dial 9 followed by 999. If this telephone is out of order, the nearest public telephone is located in the Folk Hall, from which emergency 999 calls can be made.

18. Members should note that valuables should not be left in the changing room unless placed in the lockers provided.

These rules cancel and supersede any previous rules issued by the New Earswick Swimming Club.

Approved by the New Earswick Swimming Club Management Committee on 15th January 2008.