

# City of St. Marys Family Aquatic Center Rules

## GENERAL RULES:

1. Read and obey all posted signs. All orders of the lifeguards must be obeyed.
2. Proper swimming attire (suits/trunks) must be worn while swimming.
3. No profanity.
4. No running, rough play, or pushing on the deck or in pools.
5. No splashing lifeguards.
6. No dunking, shoulder riding, unnecessary splashing, or throwing anyone into the pool.
7. No sitting, standing, or hanging on ropes.
8. No diving off the sides of the pool. Diving is permitted off diving boards only.
9. No swimming in the dive well or slide entry area.
10. Flotation Devices:
  - a. Leisure Pool: Permitted at all times if non-swimmer is under direct supervision of an adult. Not permitted on Play Station, where possibility of snagging exists. Not permitted when using large slide.
  - b. Competition Pool: Permitted at all times if device is designed to prevent swimmer from accidentally falling out of device and non-swimmer is within arm's reach of an adult. During family swim periods, all types permitted if non-swimmer stays within arm's reach of a family member. Not permitted in the dive well or for using diving boards. No inflatables are permitted during regular swim.
11. Play toys are permitted within reason, and if children using them do not interfere with other patron's enjoyment of the pool. No hard balls (golf balls, baseballs, etc.).
12. No roller blades or skateboards.
13. No smoking, smokeless tobacco, or alcohol permitted.
14. No carry-in food or drink.
15. Children unable to swim on their own are not allowed in the water unless accompanied by an adult, unless permitted by a lifeguard. Non-swimmers are not permitted to be left at the pool unattended.
16. All bicycles must be parked in designated area.
17. Handicap lift is to be used only by persons authorized by the Pool Manager.
18. Telephone use for emergencies ONLY.
19. Nothing from your bag until you leave.
20. Infants and/or toddlers wearing diapers must use swim proof diapers (available in concession stand), or rubber pants.
21. City is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items.
22. Pets are prohibited.

## DIVING BOARD RULES:

1. Children must pass swim test to use diving boards.
2. 300 pound weight limit on all diving boards.
3. Persons under 48 inches tall are not permitted to use high dive.
4. No catching or jumping with children off diving boards. If a child cannot swim unaided, he/she is not permitted in the dive well.
5. No diving or jumping off the side of the boards. Dive or jump straight off front of board.
6. No swimming in dive well, except to exit area. Swim quickly out of diving area.
7. No flotation devices permitted off boards.
8. No inward or back dives permitted.
9. Only one bounce permitted on boards.
10. Only one person on a board at a time.

**WATER SLIDE RULES:**

1. 300 pound weight limit on slide.
2. No person under 48 inches in height may use the water slide.
3. Eye glasses must be securely affixed to riders with head straps.
4. Swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles, or other metal are not permitted.
5. Single riders only! Only one rider to enter the flume at a time.
6. Never form chains.
7. Slide must be ridden feet first lying on your back or in a sitting position.
8. Riders must wait for the attendant's start signal before starting.
9. Keep arms and hands inside the flume at all times.
10. Do not run, dive, stand, kneel, rotate, or stop in the slide.
11. Flotation devices are prohibited.
12. At the end of the slide, obey all instructions and exit quickly.
13. Caution! For safety reasons, pregnant women and persons with heart conditions or back trouble should not ride slide.
14. No sliding with children in arms. No catching children at the end of the slide.
15. No line jumping or running up the stairs.

**PLAY STATION RULES:**

1. An adult must supervise children under 6 years of age.
2. No running on or around the play station, climbing on pipes or handrails, or hanging or swinging on pull ropes. No headfirst sliding on slides or in tunnels.
3. Valves, handles and pull ropes are to allow children and adults to throttle and play with the water. We encourage you to have fun with the water effect you create.
4. Children under 36 inches tall are not permitted on slides without adult supervision.

**FAMILY SWIM:**

1. Immediate family members only.
2. Families must stay together in the pool.
3. All pool rules apply.

**BREAK PERIODS:**

1. Lifeguards take several breaks per day.
2. Adults who are out of school and have paid adult admission are permitted to swim.
3. Children may swim with parents (see Family Swim Rules). All pool rules apply.

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** 419-394-6103

***Failure to follow the rules of the City of St. Marys Family Aquatic Center could result in a person's removal from the facility. Lifeguards have the authority to disallow any activity deemed unsafe.***