



## **2020 Swim Club Guidelines & Rules**

The Voorhees Swim Club is excited to welcome you back for the 2020 Summer Swim Season! The club will open under revised rules and regulations provided by the New Jersey Department of Health. The guidelines and regulations are subject to change based on available information from the state of New Jersey. All members are required to follow these rules. There will be no exceptions. The Voorhees Swim Club reserves the right to revoke membership for not following these guidelines.

### **OPENING/ENTERING/EXITING/DECK MOVEMENT**

1. We are working toward a July 1 opening, or possibly sooner, depending on when we receive approval from the local health departments.
2. All guards will be temperature checked prior to each shift. Extra cleanings have been added.
3. There will be one entrance and one exit. Everyone entering and exiting the pool, must wear a face covering/mask.
4. You will be required to check in and check out with each visit. This will help us to maintain the capacity requirements and have the information needed should we be required to help with COVID tracing.
5. Club capacity will be limited to 50%. Due to social distancing guidelines, the pool will be configured differently this year. We will assess the configuration periodically.
  - a. The guards will track everyone entering and exiting the club. We will send brief updates via email so you will know if the pool is at capacity. If you are on FB, it will be posted there as well. We may start the season with a reservation system and re-enact it if capacity remains an issue.
  - b. Swimming pool capacity is at 90.
6. Only members will be permitted into the club until the VSC Board of Trustees and the pool manager can assess the social distancing measures the club has taken. We thank you for your patience as we work through this initial opening phase.
7. Facemasks and coverings are NOT to be worn when you are in the pool. This is a drowning hazard.

8. When not in the pool, all members must follow social distancing guidelines. Face coverings/masks will be required upon checking in and going to the restrooms or under circumstances (for anyone over the age of 2). Face Coverings/masks are encouraged when not in the pool but not mandatory. Footwear is required to go to the restroom.

9. Members will be required to bring their own chairs. Club chairs will not be used for the 2020 season. You may also bring beach blankets. The grassy area will be available as well.

10. Initially we will not have tables available. We will re-evaluate frequently.

11. For additional safety and in accordance with guidelines:

a. Hand sanitizer stations will be available throughout the club

b. Signs will be posted throughout the club to encourage social distancing rules

c. All members will be required to sign a COVID waiver and release prior to their first day visiting. This waiver is currently being finalized and will be consistent with other tri-county swim clubs.

12. When socializing with non-family groups, please maintain the proper social/physical distance.

13. If the staff believes anyone is showing symptoms of disease, the manager will be notified and may deny entry to the club.

14. We may need to charge a COVID cleaning fee per family. This would be nominal \$25 or less, but would help ensure we can purchase all the extra cleaning supplies that will be needed.

15. In addition to hourly cleaning, we will ask members to get out of the pool or the bathrooms will be closed several times a day for a more thorough cleaning. We do not have exact times because it will be based on how many members are in attendance.

### **POOL MANAGER & LIFEGUARDS**

1. The pool manager is employed to make sure the areas are safe and ready for members to enjoy. The pool manager trains the lifeguards.

2. The lifeguards are employed to ensure that those in the pool are safe and other duties around the pool, including cleaning, which will be more than normal this year.

a. PLEASE DO NOT TALK TO THEM ON STAND.

b. IF THEY THINK THEY HEAR THUNDER AND REQUEST YOU GET OUT OF THE POOL, PLEASE DO SO. DO NOT ARGUE WITH THEM. We will be using apps that will let us know what the weather is doing around the swim club.

c. Please do not yell at our guards. If you have any concerns or issues, please talk to the pool manager or contact a board member.

d. The guards will not be in charge of enforcing social/physical distancing. We hope the pool membership will follow the rules as we have been given by the CDC and State of NJ.

### **ITEMS PERMITTED/or NOT INSIDE CLUB GROUNDS**

1. Food and drinks may be brought in. **NO GLASS IS PERMITTED** past the entrance gate. A guard will try to get you a plate or plastic glass, but it is not guaranteed.

2. You may bring coolers. All coolers will be checked to ensure no glass containers are in your cooler.

3. Grills will be available for personal use. Please bring your own grill utensils. Reservations for grill equipment may be required.

4. You may order food to have delivered to the pool. Please alert a guard when you place your order.

5. Individually packaged snacks, candy, and beverages will be sold by the guards.

6. **PLEASE DO NOT COME TO THE CLUB IF YOU ARE SICK.** We will post COVID-19 symptoms, but it goes for other illnesses as well. Please do not come with a stomach bug. If we need to close the pool due to someone having an accident in the pool, the pool may be closed for the rest of the day up to a couple of days for the chemicals to be re-balanced and tested and for areas to be sanitized.

7. You may bring balls or diving toys, etc. for your own family's use. Please do not share them.

8. Tents will **NOT** be permitted. You may bring a low lying sun shelter, like the ones for small children or ones you would bring to the beach.

### **BATHROOMS**

1. Bathrooms will be limited to a maximum capacity of three at a time and a face covering/mask and foot coverings are required. Bathrooms will be closed periodically throughout the day for cleaning.

### **SWIM TEAM**

1. Voorhees Swim Club plans to have their swim team starting July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

2. Practices will be Tuesday and Thursday mornings in July with 3 IntraSquad meets (July 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>).

3. Registration is open on the website and you can also email any questions to - [swstingrays@gmail.com](mailto:swstingrays@gmail.com).

4. You must be a member of the swim club to be a member of the swim team.

**5. No experience is necessary for any age. Please contact us if you feel your child would be in need of an evaluation.**

**OTHER ITEMS TO NOTE**

- 1. The diving board will be open for usage by members.
  - a. Children under age 14 must complete a band test and be eligible for the red band in order to use the diving board.**
  - b. The diving board will be closed once per hour (or more depending on usage) and sanitized by the guards.****
- 2. The playground, swings, and gaga court will be open as of July 2 with capacity limits and rules/guidelines to be shared soon.**
- 3. No rafts or shared floats are allowed. As a result, initially we will not have Raft Nights on Mondays. Although, we hope to bring it back.**
- 4. We hope to allow parties again soon.**

**Please note that this is an ever-changing situation and we may need to make adjustments as the State allows or directs or if we find a need at our club. We will do our best to give appropriate notice.**