

University of West Florida Aquatic Center Rules

In an effort to educate GPAC families new to UWF Aquatic Center and facilitate a respectful and harmonious relationship between GPAC and UWF, please read through and practice the following policies and rules. Aquatic Center staff can provide additional guidance and have the authority and responsibility to apply policies.

Dropping/Picking up your swimmer

GPAC and UWF Aquatic Center administrations encourage parents to park and walk their child to and from practice. However, if you choose to, your swimmer may be dropped off and picked up in Parking Lot A or E. Parents should not obstruct sidewalks, drive through circles, or fire lanes. Unaccompanied minors will be allowed into the facility when a GPAC coach is present and should be picked up within 10 minutes of the conclusion of their scheduled practice. Swimmers should be advised to remain in the facility until their parents have arrived.

Parking on Campus

Aquatic Center designated parking lots are lot "B" (water tower lot) and lot "J" (East tennis courts lot). Your GPAC Coach can provide you with a UWF Aquatic Center GPAC Member permit to be taken to UWF's [Parking Services](#), Building 20W, for vehicle registration. Parking Services is open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM through 5:00 PM. All other parking lots are only available to the UWF community. Please park in designated parking spaces. Parking in an incorrect lot will result in a fine. Failure to pay a fine can lead to a boot being placed on your car until the fine is paid. To avoid receiving a parking fine, do not park on or over the line designating a space, on the grass, curb or sidewalk, or in a drop-off or loading/unloading zone. Contact parking services if you would like to purchase a permit for your vehicle for use in other areas of campus.

Food and beverages

Food and beverages should be consumed only in the Courtyard or Sun Yard areas of the Aquatic Center. Florida State Health Department rules prohibit food and drinks, with the exception of water for hydration purposes, on the wet deck.

Loading/Unloading Zones

The Aquatic Center service road (located on the deep-end side of the facility) must be left accessible for water treatment, food service, and maintenance personnel. On rare occasions, the door that leads off the pool deck to this service road may be used to simplify loading/unloading items for meets and team parties. However, it may not be used for parking. When loading/unloading is complete, immediately move your vehicle to an appropriate parking space. Failure to abide by service road policy will result in a ticket and/or your vehicle being towed/booted. No other entrance should be used for loading or unloading.

Entry to the Aquatic Center

Use the main (north or shallow end) entrance for all practices which occur during the Aquatic Center open hours. Do not let anyone into the facility through any other door while the pool is open. Coaches and swimmers are not to prop open doors when they go outside for dryland or any other activities. Parents who desire to spectate their child's practice need to check in with the front desk attendant. This policy is in effect to eliminate liability issues, protect the safety of our patrons and the University, and to gather accurate statistics.

UWF Aquatic Center Admission

GPAC team members may only use contracted lane space during scheduled practice times with a GPAC coach on deck. Practice sessions do not include use of the non-GPAC pool space, whirlpool, sauna, or diving boards. GPAC families and friends may swim during public hours if they pay the General Admission or have a current Aquatic Center Membership. To enter the facility at times or for purposes other than scheduled GPAC practice or meets, [general public user policies](#) will apply.

Other UWF General Rules

[Use of skateboards](#) and similar

[Tobacco Free](#) including vaping

Please direct questions to the Facility Supervisor on duty or Nancy Quina, nquina@uwf.edu, (474-2981). Thank you.