

Protocols and Procedures for the Rockbridge Aquatics Center (updated 6/3/2020)

We have been keeping on top of the information distributed by the CDC, WHO, and other organizations hard at work on the issue. Our guidelines have been created to reflect the social distancing procedures suggested by these top organizations and in compliance with the governor's orders.

We ask you to comply with the following:

Temporarily, **we will not be allowing any showering at the facility.** We ask that you shower at home before joining us at the pool. Please make sure that you are clean and free of lotions and sunscreens prior to coming to the pool. This is essential for the cleanliness of the water. Locker rooms will be reserved for bathroom use only. Please wear your bathing suit to the pool.

1. Arrive 5 minutes early. If you arrive more than 5 minutes before your slot, please wait in your car.
2. Wear a face mask. We recommend that you bring a ziploc bag or paper bag to store your mask while swimming.
3. Enter the building without touching any surfaces (we will keep the door open for a touchless entry!)
5. Enter the revolving door and use your elbows rather than your hands.
6. The attendant will take your name. They will verbally confirm that you have not been exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 as per CDC and Virginia guidelines. There will be no need to sign in, as our attendant will do so for you. They will reference the scheduling system to confirm that you were registered for the slot for which you have arrived.
7. You will leave belongings in the space designated for you on the bleachers. We will have a specific space for each lane.
8. You will have until 5 til to swim in your designated area. An attendant will use a whistle or otherwise announce that it is time for the slot to close and prepare for the next group of swimmers. Exit the pool, use your mask, and please do not leave anything on the pool deck or in the locker rooms for the employees to handle.

As always, we are focused on maintaining the proper chlorine balance of the pool as well as maintaining our increased cleaning protocols for all equipment on the pool deck and in the facility as a whole.

What we are doing to keep our members and employees safe:

1. We will clean and sanitize frequently so that every time a new group of swimmers arrives the facility will be fresh
2. All employees will be screened prior to working to ensure they are symptom free. Any employee who has a fever will be asked to stay at home and refrain from returning to work until they have been fever free for 24 hours.
3. We will firmly enforce the scheduling so that lanes can maintain the proper social distancing.

4. We will offer multiple stations for hand sanitizing/washing around the facility
5. We will continue to adhere to guidelines and health practices advised by the Governor and the public health department.

To ensure this new strategy can be successful, we ask the following of our swimmers:

Please only visit the pool during your scheduled times. As a reminder, you can schedule your swims using this link: <https://calendly.com/rockbridgeswims>

If you register for a slot and later determine you cannot use it, please cancel your registration as soon as possible so that another patron may use your spot. RAC staff reserves the right to remove sign ups from any patron who is misusing the online system either by scheduling more than 3 slots per week or by late canceling on a frequent basis.

If you are feeling unwell, we ask that you stay home from the pool. If you have traveled to any of the areas heavily affected by COVID-19, we ask that you refrain from joining us here at the pool for 14 days post-travel.