

# HUNTINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.

## POOL RULES



The use of the Huntington pool facility is provided as a benefit of membership, to residents in good standing, in the Huntington Neighborhood Association. These Pool Facility Guidelines are established by the Huntington Board of Directors to promote a safe and enjoyable environment at the Huntington pool facility for all Huntington residents and their guests. The operation of the Huntington pool facility is under contract to a pool management company. The pool management and staff are responsible for enforcement of the Huntington pool rules.

### Onsite schedule for pool passes:

Saturday, May 21st	9:00am-12:00pm	Lancaster Center	4150 Lancaster Circle, Waldorf
Saturday, May 28th	9:00am-12:00pm	Huntington Center	3281 Huntington Drive, Waldorf
Saturday, June 4th	9:00am-12:00pm	Gleneagles Center	4900 Kirkaldy Court, Waldorf
Saturday, June 11th	9:00am-12:00pm	Sheffield Center	12146 Pawtuckett Lane, Waldorf

You can attend any of the above sessions at any of the above centers to obtain a pool pass. Or, beginning Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, pool passes will be issued at Maredith Management during business hours. Keep in mind, on days when pool passes are offered at a neighborhood center, they **will not** be offered at Maredith's office.

Maredith's Address: 204 Washington Ave, Suite 102, La Plata, MD 20646.

Hours: Monday – Thursday, 7:30a – 6:00p, closed 12:30p – 1:00p daily for lunch.

### 1. POOL HOURS:

- a. Monday through Sunday 11 AM to 8 PM;
- b. Pool hours are 3:30 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday thru Friday **when school is in session**. Hours are subject to change due to weather conditions, Huntington Neighborhood Association functions, and unanticipated maintenance. Notification will be given, by posting an announcement at the pool gate and/or office, when it is necessary to change the hours.

### 2. POOL PASSES:

Each person entering the Huntington pool facility must have a pool pass (including children over 12 months of age and non-swimming adults).

- a. Huntington residents in good standing will be issued a permanent Huntington pool pass as follows:
  - i. for each resident under 5 years of age, a Huntington identification card will be issued with no photo; and
  - ii. for each resident 5 years of age and older, a Huntington photo identification card will be issued
- b. Proof of residency, such as by way of a valid driver's license, voter's registration, utility bill, etc. may be required at the time the ID card is issued.
- c. A Huntington identification card is not transferable.
- d. Use of a Huntington identification card by anyone other than the authorized user will result in loss or suspension of pool use and privileges for the unauthorized user of the card, and possible loss or suspension of pool use and privileges for the authorized user of the card.
- e. There is a \$25.00 charge to replace an identification card.

### 3. AGE LIMITATIONS:

Pool Rules

- a. A Huntington resident age 10 and under must be accompanied by a person age 16 years or older. Children aged 4 and under are not allowed in the main pool unless accompanied by a swimmer age 16 or older. Children aged 11-15 may enter the pool alone provided they pass the basic swimming test and have a parental permission card on file. In order to utilize the deep end of the pool (diving well), all children 15 and under must pass the basic swimming test and have a parent permission card on file. Additionally, children under 10 must wear an identification bracelet provided by the guard staff. The basic swimming test is defined as "swim one length of the pool using freestyle stroke", looking for smooth, relaxed stroke, calmness, adequate endurance and controlled direction AND "tread water for 1 minute", looking for ability to keep head above water consistently, calmness and the ability to remain in one place.
- b. A Huntington resident who is 16-17 years of age may use the pool unaccompanied.
- c. A Huntington resident who is 18 years or older has unlimited use of the pool and its facilities within the limitations of these pool guidelines.

**4. GUESTS:**

- a. Two (2) permanent guest passes will be distributed to each unit in good standing. They may be used throughout the current year's pool season.
- b. A daily guest pass is \$3.00 per guest per day, a weekly guest pass is \$20.00 per guest per week, a monthly pass is \$50.00 per guest per month. Passes must be purchased at the Meredith Management Office during office hours or at the pool gate (please note that payment must be made by check or money order only).
- c. A Huntington resident under the age of 16 may not bring a guest.
- d. A Huntington resident age 16-17 may bring one guest, and the guest must be age 11 or older. All guests must pass the swim test and complete a permission card, using either a parent or an adult member of the resident's household.
- e. A Huntington resident age 18 or older may bring no more than six guests per day. A guest is defined as anyone entering the pool with a resident excluding infants (0-12 months).
- f. Regardless of the type of guest pass being used, each guest age 16 or older is required to produce a picture ID prior to entering the pool facilities and to provide information as required by the pool staff.
- g. A Huntington resident's guest who can show a valid ID from another Smallwood Village pool will not be charged a guest fee.
- h. No refund for the cost of a guest pass will be given due to closure of the pool facility because of inclement weather.
- i. Admission of any guest or guest privileges may be withdrawn when the pool is overcrowded.
- j. A guest pass may not be used by a Huntington resident to gain admission to the pool.
- k. A Huntington resident must remain with their guest(s) at the pool at all times.
- l. Anyone who attempts to use a reproduced or duplicated guest pass may have pool privileges revoked for the season.

**5. POOL MANAGER and POOL STAFF:**

- a. The Pool Manager has the authority to enforce these pool guidelines and rules, and to delegate such authority to any member of the Pool Staff.
- b. The Pool Manager has the right to eject any person violating these guidelines and rules from the pool facility and surrounding Huntington Neighborhood Association property.
- c. The Pool Manager and any member of the Pool Staff has the right to revoke or suspend pool privileges for violation of these pool guidelines and rules or any other disruptive behavior.
- d. The Pool Manager will report in writing any guideline and rule violation or incident which has resulted in a person's ejection from the pool or suspension or loss of pool privileges to the Huntington Manager within twenty-four (24) hours.

- e. The Pool Manager or a member of the pool staff has the right to demand that anyone using the pool pass a swimming test. Refusal to take the test upon demand or failure to pass this test voids use. The swimmer has the right to a periodic re-test.
- f. Any complaints by residents or non-residents must be addressed to the Association in writing.
- g. Incident/Complaint forms for residents and non-residents are available at the pool office or by calling the Huntington office.

**6. BABYSITTERS:**

- a. A babysitter must be age 16 or older and may be a resident or non-resident of Huntington. They may supervise no more than five children less than 11 years of age, regardless of whether the children are residents or guests. The only exception is if all the children are all from the same address as the babysitter.
- b. A resident babysitter who brings non-resident children to the pool will be charged the daily guest pass fee for each child.
- c. A non-resident babysitter will not be issued an ID card.
- d. A non-resident babysitter must obtain a signed letter from a Huntington resident authorizing the non-resident babysitter to bring and supervise the Huntington resident's child or children. This letter must be given to the Pool Manager who will keep the signed letter on file at the pool.
- e. A resident child in the care of a non-resident or resident babysitter must still bring their pool pass to gain entry to the pool facilities.
- f. A non-resident babysitter will only be allowed to use the pool when they bring and supervise a Huntington resident child in their care.

**7. GENERAL RULES:  
BEHAVIOR:**

- a. Use of obscene and/or profane language will result in automatic ejection from the pool facilities and the surrounding Huntington Neighborhood property.
- b. No running is permitted at the pool facility.
- c. No loitering is permitted around the life guard shack, restrooms, snack bar, or entrance gate.
- d. No horseplay or ball playing is permitted at the pool facility.
- e. No littering is permitted. Each person is required to pick up and dispose of their trash and refuse.
- f. Gum chewing is not allowed in the pool or on the deck around the pool.
- g. Smoking is not permitted.

**MISCELLANEOUS & GENERAL:**

- a. Huntington is not responsible for any lost or stolen articles.
- b. Non-swimmers are restricted to the shallow end of the pool where the water is not above the head.
- c. A child through the age of 12 may use a US COAST GUARD (USCGA) personal flotation device (PFD) in the main pool area under the direct supervision of a parent. The child must remain within arm's length of the parent at all times while using the PFD in the main pool. Persons using a PFD over the age of 12 are restricted to water that is not over the swimmer's head.
- d. Only USGA life jackets are permitted for use in the main pool. They must be utilized in water that is not over the swimmer's head, and the user must be within an arm's length of a directly supervising adult (18 years or older) at all times if they are under the age of 12.
- e. Toys are not allowed in the main pool. However nerf® balls are permitted in the pool only, not on the pool deck. Crowded conditions may preclude this activity, as determined by the Pool Manager.
- f. Pool furniture is allowed no closer than approximately 15 feet to the edge of the pool.

- g. Residents and non-residents may bring their own pool furniture and/or umbrellas. Huntington is not responsible for any loss of or damage to a resident or non-residents own pool furniture.
- h. Face masks (other than those with two separate eyepieces and/or safety glass), and snorkels are not permitted in the pool.
- i. A fifteen minute rest period will be observed each hour, on the hour beginning at 12 noon with the last rest period at 7:00 pm. During these periods, only those who are age 18 and older will be allowed in the pool. A person age 18 and over may accompany one infant (up to age 3) in the pool during this period. Other children are not allowed in the main pool or near the pool edge.
- j. All radios, tape/CD players, MP3, iPods, and other electronic devices, such as computers, laptops, tablets, etc. cannot be any closer than 15 feet to the pool edge. Radios, tape players, MP3, iPods and other electronic devices may be played as long as no complaints are received from other pool patrons.
- k. The Pool Manager may permit music to be played over the public address system. Acceptable music and/or radio stations will be approved by the pool committee and posted at the guard shack.
- l. Front and back somersaults (flips) are prohibited on both the diving board and from the side of the pool.

### **FOOD & BEVERAGES:**

- m. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted in the pool area during normal hours. Pool staff may request that coolers/containers be opened for inspection at the gate in order to enforce this regulation.
- n. No beverage of any kind will be permitted on the deck area around the pool except water.
- o. No breakable containers will be permitted on the deck around the pool.
- p. Food is allowed only in the areas behind the railing and in the grassy areas.

### **CLOTHING:**

- q. No cut-offs or shorts may be worn in the pool. Swim suits must be worn.
- r. T-shirts (plain white) and Ultraviolet shirts may be worn in the pool only if a doctor's statement is provided.
- s. No barrettes, ribbons, pin curlers, etc. are permitted in the pool.
- t. Only rubber sole shoes or bare feet will be permitted on the pool deck.

## **8. WADING POOL**

- a. Only children age five and under will be allowed to use the wading pool.
- b. A person who is 16 years or older must accompany and remain within the wading pool fence with each child using the wading pool.
- c. No large floats are permitted in the wading pool.
- d. No food or drink except water is permitted.

## **9. DIVING**

- a. Diving is only permitted in **water 9 feet deep and deeper.**
- b. Only one person at a time is allowed on the diving board and the ladder.
- c. Diving is permitted only when the previous diver has reached the closest ladder to exit the pool.
- d. No diving is permitted off the side of the diving board.
- e. No hanging on the diving board is permitted.
- f. Only one bounce on the diving board is permitted.
- g. No hazardous dives will be permitted (hand-stands, near misses, cartwheels, etc.)
- h. The diver must clear the diving area upon completion of the dive.
- i. No swimmers are permitted in the diving area while the boards are open, including adults.

## **10. HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS**

- a. Admission will be denied to anyone with open sores, skin abrasions, bandages, nasal or ear discharges, or any kind of obvious, contagious medical conditions.
- b. Babies must wear rubber pants over their diapers. No paper or disposable diapers are permitted in the pool enclosure. The Pool Manager or a member of the Pool Staff may refuse to admit families that do not comply with this rule.
- c. Pets are not allowed in the pool facilities.
- d. Soap showers are encouraged before entering the pool.
- e. No spitting or spouting of water is permitted.

## **11. POOL RENTAL**

- a. For a fee, the pool may be reserved by a Huntington resident for private parties on Friday and Saturday evenings from 9:00 PM to midnight by completing a contract at the Management office or the Huntington Neighborhood Center office. Other parties conducted during regular pool hours must be approved one week in advance by the pool manager, not to exceed 25 guests. Guest passes are \$3.00 per person and must be purchased in advance at the Huntington Neighborhood Center during regular operating hours. Prior to the start of the party, the party sponsor must present to the pool manager on duty a list of guests with emergency telephone numbers.
- b. Live music/DJ is not permitted at the pool.

## **12. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- a. Please make arrangements for rides prior to coming to the pool. Huntington assumes no responsibility for any person caught at the pool due to inclement weather. Parents, instruct your children to leave the pool prior to a storm with sufficient time to arrive home safely. The Pool Staff has been instructed to close the pool whenever there is thunder and/or lightning, as Huntington would rather they err on the side of caution and safety of the residents.
- b. If an emergency telephone call is necessary, please contact the Pool Manager. Other telephone usage will be charged at the rate of 50 cents per call.
- c. No bicycles or skateboards will be allowed in the pool area or on the concrete area outside the gate. Please use the bicycle rack provided, locks should be used to prevent theft.
- d. Swimming lessons are offered at the pool by certified Water Safety instructors. Payment is to be made at the time of registration. Scheduling of swimming lessons is done by the pool manager. Watch for notices of classes posted at the pool.