**Pool Rules & Hours   2021 Season**

The Hills Village North Master Association Pool, located on Artillery Park Road, will be opening according to the following schedule:

**Schedule for the 2021 Season:**

**Pool opens Saturday, May 29, 2021**

#### Pool Hours to Be Determined

The following rules and regulations are for the protection and benefit of all who use the pool facility. These rules have been established to ensure the safe and sanitary operation of the pool. Compliance is mandatory and your cooperation is appreciated.

* ***A liability waiver form must be signed upon entering the pool for the first visit.***
* ***No Food Allowed in the Pool Area***

**Pool Badge and Admittance Procedures**

* No one will be admitted into the pool area without a properly validated badge for 2021 (Children under age 3 do not require a badge but do count towards your guest total).  Photo-ID badges will be issued to each full-time, year-round, permanent resident of a household, with an additional permanent guest badge provided to each single-occupant household.  (The permanent badges will only be issued once).  Validation stickers will be provided each year, provided that the unit owner is in good standing.  Replacement badges will cost $20.00 each. We recommend doing so in the Spring so you will be ready when the pool opens. Please do not attempt to enter the pool area without validating your passes with management. Please bear in mind you are required to remain in good standing with your HOA all season, or you may be denied access, in which case you must contact HVNMA manager and your HOA management to arrange for re-entry.
* *\*\*Each household can purchase daily guest passes, to be obtained through the management office.  The cost is $10 per guest pass.* ***All guests must be accompanied by a member with a valid pool badge****.  There are no refunds for unused guest passes.*
* *\*\*Any household can bring up to three guests per day. This includes the Unit’s permanent guest badge. Residents must remain at the pool with their guests and guests must leave when the resident does.*
* Upon entering the pool, residents are required to sign in and include their neighborhood and number of people in their party. Badges and \*\**daily guest passes* will be collected and held. When leaving the pool, residents must sign out and collect their photo badges. \*\**Daily guest passes are not returned for any reason*.
* Swimmers are also required to rinse off prior to entering the pool. Sunblock, tanning lotions, oils, should be completely removed before entering the pool. Management takes pride in keeping the pool clean and these products cause harm to the equipment.
* Except as otherwise provided for in these rules, the use of the pool and adjoining areas is restricted to unit owner, tenants, members of their immediate families who are legally domiciled with them throughout the year, \*\**and authorized guests*.
* The pool and its facilities may not be used unless a lifeguard is present.
* Admission to the pool shall be refused to anyone with a cold, inflamed eye, infection, fever, rashes, excessive sunburn, open blisters or general uncleanliness.  Anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed into the facilities.
* Owners will be responsible for any property damage caused by themselves, members of their family, their tenants, or their guests.  The cost of such damage will be charged to the responsible owner.
* All maintenance fee accounts must be current in order to receive pool stickers, coupon books and badges.

**General**

1. Use of the pool facilities for organized parties is prohibited.  This includes children’s birthday parties, etc.  This facility is not to be used as a day care.
2. Glass is strictly prohibited in the pool area.  Only non-alcoholic beverages in unbreakable containers will be permitted.  All refuse must be deposited in the waste cans provided.
3. Portable radios may only be used with a headset and at a volume so as not to disturb other patrons.
4. Animals of any type other than a licensed seeing-eye dog are not permitted in the pool area.  Animals are not permitted to be tied up to the pool fence.
5. The Hills Village North Master Association is not responsible for loss of or damage to any personal property.
6. KEEP THE POOL CLEAN:  Residents are responsible for cleaning up after themselves. All drink spills must be cleaned up promptly.  DO NOT MOVE THE TABLES.

**This is a smoke-free pool.**

**Children**

1. Children under the age of 12 years must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age while in the pool area.
2. Children, who are not yet toilet-trained, will be permitted in the main pool ONLY if they are wearing “Huggies Little Swimmers” (bright blue/purple) swim diapers at all times (no substitutions will be permitted).
3. Playpen, baby coaches, and carts, may not be brought into the pool area.  Summer strollers for infants and babies are permitted.
4. Running, ball playing, jumping, or other horseplay will not be tolerated.
5. Adults must control their children.  Unruly behavior will not be tolerated.  This includes hitting, pushing, biting, fighting, playing in the showers, etc.  Parents who cannot adequately control an unruly child will be asked to leave.
6. Floatation Devices:
	* “Swimmies” (water wings) will only be permitted when the child’s parent or designated adult is in the pool or sitting on the edge with their feet in the water, ready to assist the child if the need arises.  The child must be within arms’ reach of the adult at all times without exception.  The adult may not be sitting in a chair close by.  Adults may watch only 1 child with “swimmies” at a time.
	* Vests with inner tubes around the waist will be permitted under the conditions prescribed above for “swimmies”.
	* Any flotation device which supports a child solely from the back will not be permitted under any circumstances.
	* Other flotation devices shall be judged acceptable by the lifeguards on an individual basis.  Should the lifeguards determine that any device is acceptable, it will be permitted under the same conditions prescribed above for “swimmies”.  No snorkels or facemasks of any type will be allowed.  Goggles are permitted.
	* Only Coast Guard approved life vests will be permitted for children to swim without adult supervision in the water.  Such vests are clearly marked.
7. Rafts, inner tubes or other floats are prohibited.  Small kickboards designed to aid swimming are permitted if the pool is not crowded. **Any items brought into the water must be removed if not in use. Please do not leave unused noodles or toys in the pool.** Items brought from home to the pool must be removed when you leave each day. All garbage is to be thrown out when leaving, including pizza boxes. Please notify pool staff if a receptacle is full.

**Scope of Authority of Pool Management Staff**

Pools may be closed at the discretion of the pool management staff for any valid reason (i.e. maintenance, health conditions, weather, or any other reason deemed necessary).  The Pool Management Staff has complete authority to make any decision necessary to ensure the safe and sanitary operation of the pool facilities.  There are no exceptions.  If you are in violation of these pool rules or the direction of the Pool Management Staff, you may be asked to leave the facility.  Violation of pool rules or the directions of the Pool Management Staff may result in temporary or seasonal loss of recreation privileges.

If you have any questions regarding these rules, please direct them to the management office at 908-781-2333, during the office hours- in outside bulletin boards and on hvnma.com website.

**Additional Information Regarding the Pool Facilities**

1. **Rest Rooms**: Parents **must** supervise children (10 and under) when they are using the facilities. We ask everyone to please clean up after themselves to try and keep the rest rooms as clean as possible. Although we understand that it is a pool and people will be wet, **we do ask that you dry off before entering the Clubhouse or to use the rest rooms**. If you notice that the toilet paper or paper towels are out, please notify the gate attendant. Children (10 and under) should not be entering the clubhouse without adult supervision.
2. **Showers:** - Swimmers are required to rinse off before utilizing the pool, however the showers are not to be used for a long period of time. Any individual using excess water will be asked to leave. Management and the Board appreciate everyone’s cooperation in this matter to ensure the water bill remains at the budgeted amount. Parents are required to monitor their children and discourage them from playing in or taking long showers.
3. **Bee Season:** These pests will seek out sweets of any type and will hover in the pool area around trash cans and sweet snacks or drinks. There is nothing that can be done to prevent these pests. However, we suggest that you sit away from trash cans, do not leave drinks sitting around and wipe up all spills immediately. Please clean up any spills.
4. **Lap Lane(s):** HVNMA community pool offers 2 cordoned off lanes during the week and non-crowded weekend times for lap swimming. During peak/crowded hours there will only be one lap lane. Pool users of any age are permitted to use the lap lane(s) for lap swimming only. Lap swimming is permitted outside the lap lanes conditions permitting.
5. **Ladders:** Please do not block, sit on, or leave things on ladders as this restricts use to other patrons.
6. **Thunder:** When lifeguards hear thunder, the pools must be closed for no less than 30 minutes following the last clap of thunder heard. When the pool is closed, you must get out of the water promptly.

We hope that everyone takes the time to enjoy the beauty of The Hills, the community pool and the other facilities at the Clubhouse.

**Residents and owners must acknowledge these rules by signature on your validation form.**

**We wish everyone a SAFE and HAPPY SUMMER SEASON!**