

# 2021 Lawn Aqua Club Rules: Final at 4-7-21

The following are the Rules that will govern Lawn Aqua Club's ("the Club") daily operations for the 2021 season. These Rules may be changed, amended, or otherwise altered by the Board of Directors depending on need and circumstances. Changes will be communicated to the membership via email and new Rules will be posted.

## Dates & Hours of Operation

1. *Opening Day* is Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, and we will close on Labor Day, Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.
2. The 2021 Club's hours of operations are:

Day	Open	Close
Monday - Wednesday	11:00 AM	10:00 PM
Thursday	11:00 AM	10:30 PM
Friday	11:00 AM	11:00 PM
Saturday	11:00 AM	11:30 PM
Sunday	12:00 PM	10:00 PM

NOTE: The LAC Board may change these days and hours of operation based on IDPH guidance and/or member attendance. Members should monitor emails from the board closely

## Dues & Fees

- Lawn Aqua is a member-owned Club, and our dues and fees are "shares" or ownership stakes in the Club, not annual user or entry fees, and thus are not refundable.
- Age is based on the age of the member during this calendar year, i.e., by 12/31/21
- There are 2 payment options for 2021 Dues and Fees:
  1. **A LA CARTE**:
    - \$100 Base Dues per household, PLUS...
    - \$100 per person age 3 and older (children 2 and under are free)
  2. **FAMILY PACKAGE**: \$725 (includes the \$100 base dues)

Note: Under both options (*A La Carte* and *Family Package*) each household can include one (1) person who does not live in the home, e.g., a nanny, babysitter, relative. All other household members must reside in the home.

- The Board can levy special fees and assessments in addition to the regular dues and fees above, but there are no plans to do so in 2021.

## **Club Entry, Exit & ID Cards**

- Each member will receive a unique ID card that will include their Name, Household Number, and Primary Phone Number.
- As in the past, all members and guests are to enter the Club through the Pool House (white painted building), not through the Clubhouse or through exterior gates.
- Members will keep their IDs with them at all times, i.e. not give to attendant
- Members will exit the Club via the Pool House doors when the pools close, and via the Clubhouse doors or gate next to the basketball court after picnic area closes.
- Any member caught letting another person use their ID will be suspended from the Club for one (1) week. A 2<sup>nd</sup> occurrence will result in suspension of that ID card for the season.

## **Use of Facilities & Aquatic Features**

- All persons entering the Club, regardless of age, are presumed to be able to swim and act in a responsible and respectable manner. It is the responsibility of every parent, guardian, and or nanny/babysitter, and NOT the Club's employees, to determine what level of supervision is necessary for each child and guest they bring or allow into the Club.
- Use of the Club's facilities are for Members only and their properly-paid-for guests and are strictly limited to the Club's listed hours of operations. The Club's facilities are for member and guest use and enjoyment and their use is permitted only with the acknowledgement by participants that there is an assumption of risk of bodily harm inherent with such activities and Lawn Aqua Club shall be held harmless for any injury/damages resulting from participation in such activities.
- Members are prohibited from renting or "reserving" any of the Club's facilities, e.g. placing a bag or cooler on a table or chair and then leaving the Club. Any table, chair, etc. that has been unoccupied for more than 1 hour is considered an open and available table, chair, etc.
- The sundeck reclining lounge chairs are intended for adult use.
- There will be 15-minute Adult Swims for those 18 and older at every quarter-to-the-hour, i.e. 11:45 am, 12:45 pm, 1:45 pm, etc. Adults will have exclusive use of the Senior and Junior pools during these times, but the Kiddie Pool will remain open to children 5 and under during Adult Swims.
- ALL of the Club's aquatic features (i.e., Senior pool, Junior pool, and Kiddie Pool) will close at 9:45 PM, regardless of the closing times for the rest of the Club.
- All persons will vacate the pools and pool decks at or before the 9:45 and either exit the Club's premises or move to the Picnic area or Clubhouse.
- The Sand Volleyball court is meant for volleyball only and is not to be used as a sand-box for young children because there is an expensive drainage system underneath the sand.
- Use of the Clubhouse is intended for adults and employees only, as are the Clubhouse restrooms. However, children can use the Clubhouse restrooms AFTER 10 pm.
- The Club's board and management have discretion to close the Club, in all or in part, due to inclement weather. These closings may be temporary or permanent (i.e. for the rest of that day/night) and the Club will communicate the status via email and social networks, so members are encouraged to monitor these for updates.

## **Swim Patch Test**

- LAC requires that our swimmers (members and guests) who want to use our pools have the appropriate swimming skills needed to do so. And we do that via a swim test administered by our Lifeguard Managers during our adult swim (i.e. at the quarter to every hour).
- Swimmers (generally young children) who successfully complete the “Blue” swim-test are allowed to swim in our senior pool and junior pool, but **NOT** in the deep end of the Senior Pool, often referred to as “the Pit”. To pass the Blue test the swimmer has to swim one (1) full length of the senior pool.
- Swimmers who successfully complete the “Yellow” swim-test are allowed to swim in our senior pool and junior pool, including the deep end of the senior pool, i.e. “the Pit”. To pass the Blue test the swimmer has to swim one (1) full length of the senior pool. To pass the Yellow test the swimmer has to swim two (2) full lengths of the senior pool.
- During each test, swimmers will have to demonstrate:
  - Freestyle stroke (arms coming fully out of the water, with constant kicking)
  - No doggy-paddling
  - No kicking off the ground or grabbing the wall
  - No breaks during a lap
  - Regular breathing patterns & face in and out of the water
- Our young members and guests who successfully complete the tests will receive a patch of the color of the test (Blue or Yellow) which they will pin to their swimsuits. There is no cost for the test or initial patch, but the cost to replace a lost patch is \$5.
- **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT**
  - Parents may have a different view or opinion of their child’s performance than the Lifeguard Manager who administers the test. PLEASE do not challenge the results; our managers have been certified by the Red Cross and trained to recognize and rate different swimming abilities.
  - Results of the test cannot be appealed and will not be overturned. The only way to change the results is for the swimmer to practice more and test again. Also, if a swimmer has a patch but a lifeguard sees him/her struggling, the manager may require a retest.

## **Swim Lessons**

- As in the past, some of our more experienced lifeguards will be offering swim lessons. Group lessons will take place during four weeks of the summer, Mon thru Thurs, 10 AM to 10:45 AM. Lessons will take place before opening hours.
- The cost for one patron to participate in the four-day lesson is \$60. The Club does not provide individual swim lessons, but if you want your child to receive private swim lessons from a particular lifeguard please contact her/him individually.
- Members can register for more than one session provided there is room in the class.
- Sign-ups for swim lessons will be administered through email. To register send an email to [swimlessons@lawnaqua.club](mailto:swimlessons@lawnaqua.club).

## **Safety**

- All members, guests and employees of the Club must exercise caution to ensure safety and act in a courteous and respectful manner toward one another.
- Swimming when lifeguards are not on duty is strictly prohibited.
- Personal swim-aids (e.g., life-jackets, wings, etc) are prohibited in the Senior Pool. Swim-aids are allowed in the Junior and Baby Pools provided they are permanent parts of a swim suit, e.g., sewn into the suit.
- Members & guests should refrain from long, distracting conversations with lifeguards.
- Members and guests must follow directions given by the Club's staff.
- The Club's employees have full discretion over which aquatic facilities a person can use, and can restrict use if necessary, especially in matters related to safety and swimming ability.
- Lifeguards can remove people from the pool(s) due to unsafe behavior, and the offending parties may be asked to leave the Club's premises if the behavior persists.
- Swimming is prohibited when lightning is observed & for **30** minutes after.
- Children must exit the pool decks during Adult Swim.
- Children in the Kiddie Pool must be accompanied by a non-employee adult at all times. The Kiddie Pool is intended for children 5 and under.
- Diving is prohibited in all pools except for in the deep end of the Senior Pool (aka "the Pit"), and diving in the Pit is only allowed during "Open Swim" in the Pit.
- Swimmers should exit the pools using ladders or steps.
- Users of the slides and climbing wall must wait until the previous user exits the pool areas below the slides and climbing wall before proceeding up the slides/climbing wall.
- Sliding head-first or backward on the Club's slides is prohibited. Hanging and/or diving from the climbing wall is prohibited.
- Horseplay in all its forms (running, tag, pushing, dunking, fighting, etc.) is strictly forbidden.
- Floating objects of ANY kind are prohibited in the Senior Pool.
- Strollers, playpens, and other similar items are prohibited on the pool decks and should be limited to the Club's picnic area. Personal lawn chairs can be used throughout the Club.
- The Manager's Office, Lifeguard Room, and Garage (connected to Clubhouse) are "Employee Only" areas designated for employees and Club board members.

## **Conduct**

- All members, guests, and employees of the Club will act in such a way so as not to spoil the enjoyment nor jeopardize the safety of themselves or others.
- The Club has a zero-tolerance policy when it comes to extreme intoxication, vulgarity, obscenity, and menacing or erratic behavior. Violators will face discipline up to and including expulsion from the Club.
- Running on pool decks and boisterous or rough play is prohibited.
- Glass containers of any kind are strictly prohibited on the Club's premises.
- Smoking is still prohibited on the Club's premises, except for the designated smoking area, the picnic table(s) in the grass outside the Clubhouse front door.
- Club members are required to clean-up any mess they or their guests create as a result of their visit and place garbage in proper containers.

## **Health, Sanitation, and Attire**

- Children who are not toilet-trained are prohibited from using the Junior & Senior Pools and need “swim diapers” or tight-fitting rubber or plastic pants to use the Kiddie Pool.
- Admission to the Club shall be refused to any person having any contagious disease; any infectious conditions such as colds, fever, ringworm, foot infections, skin lesions, carbuncles, boils, diarrhea, vomiting, inflamed eyes, ear discharges; or any other condition that has the appearance of being infectious.
- Persons with excessive sunburn, serious abrasions, corn plasters, bunion pads, adhesive tape, and bandages of any kind may also be refused admittance.
- Proper attire and footwear are required to enter the Club. Dirty clothes, vulgar or overly revealing attire, long pants, cut-offs, etc. will not be permitted in any aquatic feature.
- All persons are encouraged to take a shower before entering the Club’s aquatic features.
- The water in the Club’s pools is not suitable for drinking. Spitting, spouting of water, blowing the nose or otherwise introducing contaminants into the pool is prohibited.

## **Food**

- The Club has a concession stand with limited offerings (candy, drinks, chips & ice cream).
- The Club also has two (2) large gas-fired grills that are available first-come, first-serve.
- Members and guests can bring food into the Club or have food delivered.
- **Change this year:** Food deliveries should be made to the **Pool house**, not the Clubhouse, and members should give cell number to the drivers and meet them when their food arrives.

## **Drinks**

- In addition to the drinks available in the concession stand, Members are free to bring coolers into the Club packed with the drinks of their choice, provided they abide by the 21-year old age for alcoholic beverages & the **ABSOLUTELY NO GLASS** container rule.
- Members must keep drinks (and food) out of the Club’s pools. Drinks (and food) are also prohibited along edges of the pools and on the pool decks.
- Members are allowed to bring beverages - but not food - onto the elevated sun-deck area, provided there are **NO GLASS** containers. Food must remain in our picnic area.
- Large coolers and coolers on wheels are prohibited in the Clubhouse, although members can bring drinks into the Clubhouse.

## **Guest Passes**

- Members can purchase individual Guest Passes for \$10 each. There is a limit / maximum of twenty (20) Guest Passes per household per year.
- Guests can only enter the Club accompanied by a Club member(s).
- Guest passes are valid for only one session (i.e., day and/or evening), and there may be restrictions on usage, e.g., on days/nights when the Club has events or live entertainment.
- Guest Passes that are not used during the season are no longer valid (for subsequent seasons).

## **Parties**

- Members can host parties (e.g. birthday, teams, etc) but only for members (no guests).
- Children's parties require one (1) chaperone for every eight (8) children.
- Members are not allowed to reserve tables, chairs, etc. for parties; it is strictly first-come, first-serve, so best to get to the Club early when you host a party.
- The Clubhouse is not available for rent or exclusive use for adult parties, either; strictly first-come, first-serve on seating.

## **Employee-Only Areas**

- There are several "Employee Only" areas at Lawn Aqua Club that must be avoided for the safety of employees, members and guests:
  - The Pump House (behind the "Big Slide")
  - The Pool House Storage Area (across from the pool house entrance)
  - The Manager's Office (in the Clubhouse)
  - The Clubhouse Storage Room (across from Clubhouse restrooms)
  - The Clubhouse Garage

## **By-Laws**

Members are required to read and abide by our Bylaws, along with these Rules:

- <http://lawnaqua.club/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Lawn-Aqua-Club-Bylaws-Feb-28-2018-FINAL.pdf>

## **Facebook Calendar**

- The Club has a Facebook Calendar that we use to communicate information about Club events and other update updates
- The Calendar is for CLUB members only and members have to provide their last name and LAC Household # to gain access
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/413798132454092/>

## **Questions, Comments, Suggestions**

Members should approach one of the Club's on-duty adult or lifeguard managers with questions, comments or suggestions. If Members aren't satisfied with responses, Members should contact the Board of Directors at [membership@lawnaqua.club](mailto:membership@lawnaqua.club)

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