

## **BLACK OAK SWIM CLUB (BOSC) RULES, REGULATIONS AND POLICIES**

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The following rules and regulations are for the protection and benefit of all members and have been established to assure safe and sanitary operation of BOSC facilities. The staff has been instructed to anticipate situations, rather than remedy problems. Parents are requested to advise their children to observe all rules and obey instructions of BOSC employees. With full cooperation of everyone, we will have a safe and enjoyable summer, and rarely hear a whistle!!!!

### **Pool Operating Hours**

Regular pool hours are from 11:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Sunday hours are reserved for adults only from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with regular pool hours 12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. When Centerville City Schools are in session, weekday hours are 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., with Sunday hours 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

The pool may be closed during regular hours at the manager's discretion due to inclement or unseasonable weather (68 or below) as well as for maintenance, health conditions, special events or other appropriate reasons. Additionally, the pool will be closed for home swim/dive meets in the late afternoon/evenings. In some cases, members may swim at the opposing team's pool with their pass during these times. Please check with the manager for the club reciprocal agreement.

Fifteen minutes of every hour will be "rest time" and adult (18 and older) swim time. All persons under the age of 18 must exit the pool and physically move away from the pool edge during this time. One non-swimming child under the age of 6 is permitted in the shallow area only when accompanied by an adult at all times.

### **Admission and Membership**

Annual dues (including any late fees that may apply) must be paid in full before any individual listed under that membership may gain access into the club for the season. All members must present their membership ID card for admittance into the club. For bookkeeping and emergency purposes, please notify the Front Desk upon entering and exiting the club.

An adult or designated babysitter with a BOSC babysitter pass must accompany children under 11 years of age at all times during normal pool hours. Individuals under the age of 14 are NOT considered a babysitter to younger children.

### **Member Safety and Conduct**

All commonly recognized and posted rules for safety, conduct, and sanitation must be followed. Any activity considered potentially harmful to BOSC property or equipment, as determined by the BOSC management or Board of Trustees, is not permitted. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to suspend club privileges and/or seek financial compensation for repair/replacement of damaged or stolen club property.

**NO GLASS CONTAINERS** are permitted within the fenced pool area or tennis courts.

**NO WEAPONS** are permitted on BOSC premises.

Please throw away trash in proper containers. All members are responsible for cleaning up their occupied area when leaving the pool.

Children under the age of 6 must be accompanied to the bathroom by a responsible person age 14 or older, for safety and pool cleanliness reasons.

Tables may not be reserved at any time. Patrons who wish to use tables surrounding the main pool and wading pool must be present at the pool in order to actively utilize those tables. Any patron's belongings occupying a table that is not being populated by a member or their paid guests will be removed from the table(s) by the Manager on duty, and will be safely stored in the Manager's office until the owner(s) claim their belongings. This does not apply to pool parties or tent reservations that have been properly made through the Manager (see Pool Parties section below).

Lifeguards are not to be disturbed while they are on duty. Please issue all concerns to the manager on duty.

Three blasts of a whistle is an indication of an emergency. Please exit the pool and move away from pool deck to allow access to lifeguard and emergency personnel.

All young children must remain within an arm's reach of an adult at all times during their use of the main pool, per the Manager's discretion.

Sharp objects, tennis balls or other toys not approved by the Manager are not allowed in the pool.

Mermaid swim fins or swimmable mermaid tails are not allowed in the pool. Any toy/outfit/equipment that limits the wearer's ability to move is strictly prohibited.

All floatation devices used for safety purposes must be Coast Guard approved. Water wings are NOT Coast Guard Approved and therefore are not permitted. Approved flotation devices and inflatable toys are permitted in the non-diving areas only, and may need to be limited during crowded periods at the Manager's discretion. U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejackets are available in the Manager's office and are encouraged for all non-swimmers.

Diving blocks are off limits. Do not hang on backstroke bars.

One person at a time is permitted on the diving boards, slide or ladders. Individuals may not leave the diving board or slide until the individual preceding them is safely to the side. Only one jump on the boards is permitted.

Participants using the slide must be at least 5 years of age and must reach the minimum height as posted on the slide rules sign. Participants who are at least 5 years of age, but do not reach the minimum height, must pass the board approved swim test, witnessed by the manager on duty. Participants using the slide must remain in a seated, feet-first position while traveling down the slide. Posted slide rules must be followed at all times.

### **NO DIVING FROM THE SIDE OF THE POOL EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED DIVING AREAS!**

Additionally, the following are not permitted at BOSC:

- Food, gum, or drink in the pool.
- Smoking of any kind (including E-cigarettes) is only permitted outside the fenced area of BOSC, within 12 feet of the cigarette receptacle.
- Horseplay, running, pushing, wrestling, bullying etc...
- Pets within the fenced pool area or tennis courts
- Skate shoes (Heelies), roller blades, or skateboards within the fenced pool area or tennis courts
- Foul Language

Parking shall be in designated areas only. No parking is permitted on the grassy areas. Vehicles that are not parked in valid parking spots are subject to being towed at the owner's expense. Members shall drive slowly and cautiously in the parking lot. Do not block the entrance/exit to the lot.

Please stay out of the storm water detention system.

The pool lift is reserved for patrons who require its assistance to enter or exit the pool.

Alcoholic beverages may be consumed on the club premises, by adults of legal age in an inconspicuous manner (i.e. plastic cups or huggies). Although alcohol consumption is not prohibited, members and their guests are expected to drink responsibly and discreetly so that we may continue to enjoy a family friendly environment. While all risk and responsibility is assumed by the consumer, any member or guest that appears to be intoxicated when leaving the premises shall not be permitted to drive a vehicle. If alternate transportation is not readily available for the patron, BOSC Management will arrange for cab transportation, and the patron's vehicle may be picked-up the following day. BOSC Management has the right to ask for and hold onto keys until alternative transportation is arranged. BOSC Management and/or Lifeguards reserve the right to

temporarily suspend pool privileges of any person(s) that appears to be impaired. If the impaired individual is under the age of 18, BOSC reserves the right to contact the individual's parent or legal guardian.

**Storm Policy:** If thunder is heard or lightning is sighted, all patrons are required to immediately proceed to the upper deck, under the overhang, close to the clubhouse, or to their vehicles for safety purposes. No patrons will be permitted to remain in the pools, on the lower pool deck, grassy areas, tennis courts, volleyball court, or tented areas. In the event a storm becomes more severe, patrons may be asked to move into the clubhouse or depart from the premises. The pools and all other areas will re-open 30 minutes after thunder/lightning subsides.

**Umbrella Policy:** Umbrellas will be required to be put down if wind gusts exceed 15mph.

### **Wading Pool**

The wading pool area is intended for small children only. All children must be accompanied by an adult during their use of the wading pool area, per the Manager's discretion. Children/infants who are not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper underneath their swim suit. All diapers must be changed in the rest rooms. Swim diapers are available at the concession stand.

### **Discipline Policy for All Members and Guests (Adults and children)**

Appropriate behavior and attire is expected at all times from all members and their guests. BOSC is a family facility and will not tolerate any type of lewd, inappropriate behavior or attire. The manager has the authority to follow the policy below and remove anyone they feel is behaving in a manner that is a detriment to the well-being of others. The managers and lifeguards are the authority on matters of discipline. Their instructions **MUST BE FOLLOWED** or disciplinary action including the loss of BOSC privileges may result.

BOSC Management may enforce a 3 Offense Policy toward all members.

1. The first offense will result in a verbal warning to the person (and/or parents if appropriate).
2. Should inappropriate behavior occur again, the manager or lifeguard will write up an incident/offense report and give to the member (or parent) as a second warning.
3. Should inappropriate behavior continue after the written warning, the individual will have their privilege of attending BOSC removed for a period of time determined by the manager in conjunction with the Board of Trustees.

The Manager, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, reserves the right to discipline without regard to this three-offense policy, particularly in the matters of safety, disregarding authority, disturbing other members and illegal actions such as vandalism, theft and excessive or underage drinking. All decisions made by the Board of Trustees are final.

The Board of Trustees authorizes the Manager or Assistant Manager on duty to suspend a Member's membership privileges for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours, in the event of a violation by a Member of the Organization's By-Laws or Operating Rules. The Manager may require any Member in violation of the Organization's By-Laws or Operating Rules to leave the Organization's premises for up to twenty-four (24) hours, in the Manager's reasonable discretion. After review of the Member's violation, the Manager and/or Personnel Director shall have the authority to suspend such Member's membership privileges for up to an additional seven (7) days. A written report of such suspension containing reasons thereof, shall be submitted to the President within twenty-four (24) hours of the event in question. The decision of the Manager is final with respect to such suspensions.

If the recommendation by the Manger is for suspension in excess of seven (7) days, a meeting of the Trustees will be called. The Trustees shall have the authority to suspend or permanently expel the Member for violation of the By-Laws and/or Operating Rules. Any Member has a right to address the Trustees at the meeting where such Member's suspension or expulsion is being considered. The Member must contact the President and

request a time to address the Board of Trustees. Such meeting will occur at such time as the Trustees are available.

### **Guest Policies**

Members must register all guests (which may include name, address and phone number) at the front desk upon their arrival at BOSC. Guests must be accompanied by the member at all times and must leave when the member leaves. Guests must be made aware of the rules, and follow them. Members bringing guests without paying admittance and registering their guests may have their guest privileges revoked.

**Local Guests:** Any person(s) residing in or around the local area or houseguests for the day. All guests are permitted access to the club as a guest no more than 10 times during a season. Guest fees\* must be paid prior to the guest's entrance to the club and are non-refundable for any reason.

**Out of Town Guests:** Weekly passes are available for purchase\* if a member is hosting an out of town guest during the pool season. Weekly passes may be purchased for an individual as well as for a family.

### **Pool Parties**

A pool party is defined as a BOSC member hosting either five or more guests or a gathering of members/non-members where tables and/or grills are needed. Party size may be limited, at the Manager's discretion. The following rules apply:

- The host must be a member and must submit the party request to the Manager at least one week prior to the party date, to be considered for a reservation. The approval of the party is subject to availability and staffing. No parties after regular pool hours unless by Board approval.
- A list will be kept at the front desk with the names of all non-member party guests. At the conclusion of the party, the host is responsible for paying guest fees\* for all party guests.
- The host is responsible for ensuring that **NO GLASS** is brought onto the premises by his/her guests.
- The host must remain on the premises at all times. When the host leaves, all guests must leave.
- The host is responsible for the clean up of the party. Clean up should be completed within the time frame of the party or within 15 min. prior to closing.

NO parties will be held during the opening weekend of the pool season.

The clubhouse will not be rented during the summer months unless approved by the Board of Trustees.

### **Babysitter Pass**

A babysitter pass may be issued per family for \$60.\* This pass is issued in the family's name and may be used by any one person (>14yrs old) escorting the member family's children to the pool. This pass is only valid when the babysitter accompanies the member's children. Abuse of this privilege may result in removal of the card.

### **Grandchild Pass**

A Grandchild Pass may be issued to a senior membership for \$60.\* This pass is issued in the grandchild's name, and may be used by the listed grandchild age 18 or under, when the grandparent escorts the grandchild to the pool. More than one grandchild pass may be purchased for multiple grandchildren as a supplement to a valid membership. This pass is only valid when the grandparent accompanies the grandchild. Abuse of this privilege may result in removal of the card.

### **Tennis Rules**

The tennis courts are for the use of BOSC members and their guests only. All persons using the tennis courts do so at their own risk and BOSC is not responsible for any accident, personal injury, loss/damage of personal property. The following rules apply:

- Proper attire (including shoes) must be worn at all times on courts.

- Leaning on, striking the top of, or jumping over the nets is prohibited.
- No smoking, food, chewing gum, or glass containers are permitted on courts.
- Climbing the fence is strictly prohibited.
- NO dunking permitted on the basketball courts

\*All fees are subject to change on a yearly basis. For current rates/fees, please contact the manager.

**Please note:**

No major rule/policy changes will take place during the operating season unless deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees.

The operating rules of the organization are enforceable as if they were a part of the by-laws. In the event of any violation or breach by any Member of any provisions of the By-Laws of the Organization or its Operating Rules, not cured within ten (10) days, the Organization and the Board of Trustees, after written notice to the Member, shall have each and all of the rights and remedies which may be provided for by law or in the By-Laws or said Operating Rules or which may be available at law or in equity and may prosecute any action or other proceedings against such defaulting Member for enforcement of any right, or for damages or injunction or specific performance or for judgment for payment of money and collection thereof or for any combination of remedies, or for any other relief. All expenses of the Organization in connection with any such actions or proceedings including court costs and attorney's fees and other fees and expenses, and all damages, until paid, may be exercised at any time and from time to time, cumulatively or otherwise by the Organization or the Board of Trustees.