

**SHER-LE-MON SWIM CLUB**  
**RULES**

Sher-Le-Mon Swim Club Patrons and their Guests are cordially invited to enjoy the facilities of the Club.

The following Rules and Regulations have been adopted and approved by the board of Directors for the primary purpose of benefiting the health and welfare of every person. Your cooperation in abiding by these rules will assist in the maintenance of the safe and sanitary operation of the pool and other facilities, and will add immeasurably to the enjoyment that we may all get from the Club.

Swim Club Patrons are requested to impress upon their children and their guests that all Rules and Regulations must be observed, and that the instructions of the Club Manager and his/her Staff must be obeyed at all times.

Any failure to comply with these Rules and Regulations shall be considered sufficient cause for immediate suspension of Club privileges for the offender for a period of from (1) to seven (7) days, and can also be considered sufficient cause for cancellation of club privileges. Refunds will not be made.

Should rules be modified or changed in any way, appropriate notice of such change shall be posted on Club Bulletin Boards.

These rules are also available online at [www.sherlemon.com](http://www.sherlemon.com).

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## I. CLUB SCHEDULE

1. The Club activities “year” will be designated by the Board of Directors and Club Patrons so informed by the mail.
2. The Club shall be open from 10:00am to 8:00pm daily, and may, at the discretion of the Club Manager or designated supervisor, be kept open after 8:00pm or in case of inclement weather be closed early.
3. The Club, or any of its facilities, may be closed temporarily for maintenance operations, health conditions, swim meets, or any justifiable reason upon the approval of the Board of Directors.

## II – USE OF POOL

1. Monday through Friday from 10:a.m. to 12 Noon, an area of the pool may be reserved for group instruction at the discretion of the Club Manager or designated supervisor. This area will be marked off.
2. Children shall not be allowed in the deep end of the pool until they have passed the basic swim test, unless accompanied by an adult.
3. The basic swim test will be given by the Club Manager or a qualified member of his staff. The test criteria shall include a swimming style of a strong kick and overhand stroke; the candidate must swim 30 yards and tread water for one minute; final approval remains within the discretion of the Club Manager.
4. Children 8 years to 12 years old, who have passed the basic swim test, may come to the pool unaccompanied by an adult, provided written permission has been submitted by a parent to the Club Manager.
5. The use of the smaller pool shall be limited to children 7 years and under. No metal or rigid plastic toys will be allowed in the smaller pool.
6. It is mandatory for all children that are not toilet trained to wear a swim diaper when using either pool.
7. At the discretion of the Club Manager or designated supervisor, all children 12 years and under may be out of the water for a maximum period of 15-20 minutes during each hour.
8. No children 7 years and under shall enter any swimming pool area unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
9. Children in the kiddie pool **must** at all times, be **accompanied** and **supervised** by a parent or adult sitter.
10. Any child using an approved flotation device must have a parent or sitter in the water at all times.

## III – EATING AREA

1. The Snack Bar will be open from 11:00am to 6:00pm daily, weather permitting, and in special situations at such other hours as the concessionaire may designate.
2. All Club Patrons and their guests are expected to keep such areas clean by depositing refuse in appropriate containers provided for this purpose.
3. Food and Beverages must be consumed in the designated eating area.

4. No alcoholic beverages or glass containers may be brought on to the Club grounds.

#### IV – GUESTS

- Fees for the current year will be posted at reception desk.
- A guest privilege shall consist of an admission to the club of one (1) individual.
- Any patron/member who has used all his guest privileges during a given period is not allowed to use the guest privileges of another patron/member.
- The patron/member is responsible for the conduct of each guest they sponsor.

##### 1. IN TOWN GUEST

- a. Defined as those whom reside **within** 25 miles of the club.
- b. Any guest will be limited to **three (3) paid visits per calendar month** - regardless which member brings them.
- c. There is no limit to the number of guest a member may bring during the season, as long as the guest has not exceeded their **three (3) paid visits per calendar month**
- d. Guest privileges may not be carried over from month to month
- e. A member may not bring more than four (4) guests on a particular day, without approval of the manager
- f. Additional guest privileges may be granted for special Club sponsored activities for which written notice will be posted in advance on the Club Bulletin Boards.
- g. A Club patron/member must accompany and register all guests at the front desk.

##### 2. OUT OF TOWN GUEST

- a. Defined as those who reside more than twenty (25) miles from the club
- b. All guests must be accompanied and registered by a patron/member when the guest fee charge is on a daily basis. If the guest registration is “extended” (for a period of more than one (1) day) the guest must be accompanied by and registered by a patron/member only upon initial registration.
- c. Extended period guests will receive a receipt showing their period of stay and the name of the club patron/member who is the host.

##### 3. SITTERS/CAREGIVERS

- a. Parents must fill out a registration form available **only** at the club, and pay the appropriate seasonal fee for a sitter/caregiver.
- b. Sitters/caregivers may be enrolled as guests. The regular guest fees then apply.
- c. The number of individuals listed as sitter/caregiver on one membership is limited to two (2) persons. The total number of sitters/caregivers registered may be limited.

- d. Sitters/caregivers must abide by all club rules.
- e. Sitters/caregivers are not allowed to use the facilities unless they are performing their babysitting duties.
- f. Sitters/caregivers are in lieu of parents.
- g. Sitters /caregivers must be at least 13 years old.
- h. Sitters/caregivers must remain with children in their care at all times.
- i. Sitters/caregiver cannot be sibling or parent of children on the membership to which it's associated with.

#### 4. PARTIES

- a. Parties should be scheduled with the Club Manager at least **two (2) weeks** in advance.
- b. The number of birthday parties allowed each day will be limited by the manager.
- c. Daily guest fees will be charged for each non-member party attendee.
- d. No large & unruly gatherings will be allowed.

### **V – PATRONS OBLIGATIONS**

1. Individuals must show swim club cards and guests must show guest cards when entering the Club property. The Club Manager must be notified if a card is lost, and replacement will be made at a charge of \$1.00 per card. Admittance to the Club facilities will be by swim club card only at the check-in point. Individuals having no cards with them must sign in and give swim club number.
2. Swim club cards are not transferable.
3. A club patron shall pay for the damage done to the Club property by himself, his family or his guests.
4. Individuals and their guests shall drive slowly and carefully at all times on all approach roads and parking areas. Parking is not permitted in the driveway area.
5. Individuals and their guests must park in the swim club's designated parking areas.

### **VI – HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Articles with (\*) are as per Rhode Island Department of Health, Chapter 42-35 as amended 1992.

1. \* “Any persons with an infectious and/or communicable disease shall be prohibited from utilizing the swimming and wading pool, including persons with open lesions, blisters or cuts and rashes.”
2. \* “Spitting, spouting water, blowing the nose, or urinating in the pool is prohibited.”

3. \* “No running, boisterous or rough play, ball playing, games of any kind or causing undue disturbances are allowed in or about the pool area.
4. \* “No pets or other animals are permitted in the pool or Club property except for seeing-eyed dogs accompanied by a blind person.”
5. \* “Caution should be used at all times on the diving board.”
6. \* “All bathers are required to take cleansing shower baths prior to entering swimming or wading pool. This also means that all athletic participants must shower prior to each use of the pool.
7. \* “Food and drink is prohibited in the swimming or wading pool and concrete apron surrounding the pool at all times. Use designated area only.
8. All persons entering the enclosed pool area coming from the volley ball court or any grassed area must remove all dirt and sand from their bodies, by taking a shower.
9. Smoking is prohibited on all swim club property.
10. No toys, flippers, snorkels or floats are allowed in the main pool. However, children **accompanied** by an adult may use approved floatation devices.
11. The storage of wet suits or towels in dressing rooms is not permitted.
12. The Club Manager or designated supervisor may deny personal equipment being brought in that he considers will be hazardous to the operation of the club.

## **VII – GENERAL**

1. All persons using any of the Club Facilities do so at their own risk. The Club will not be responsible for any accident or injury in connection with such use.
2. The Club will not be responsible for loss of or damage to personal property. It is strongly suggested that valuables not be taken to the Club.
3. Children 7 years and under must be accompanied at all times by an adult or adult sitter.
4. The Club Manager or designated supervisor is in complete charge of the staff and all facilities of the Club, and is empowered to enforce all Rules and Regulations.
5. Infractions of Club rules could result in suspension of Club rights at the discretion of the Club Manager. However, permanent suspension or cancellation of privileges shall be by authority of the Board of Directors.
6. Any complaints must be in writing, addressed to the Club Manager.
7. There are no reserved areas for individuals or groups. Please show courtesy towards other patrons.
8. No chewing gum in the pool area.
9. Profanity and bullying will not be tolerated at any time at the club.
10. Radios must be played on “low volume”.

11. All children 12 years and under must be accompanied by an adult, 16 and over, after 6:00 p.m.
12. Suggestions for additions, corrections and improvements of these rules are always welcomed. They should be made in writing to the President for appropriate action.
13. No person, in the opinion of the Club Manager or designated supervisor, who is under the influence of alcohol or drugs, shall be allowed on swim club facilities.
14. No notice, subscription paper or petition shall be posted or circulated except by permission of the Club Manager.
15. Adults shall have preference of Club chairs at all times.

### **VIII – SWIM CLUB APPLICATION TERMS DEFINED**

Family Unit: (3 or more individuals residing in same household)

- Husband and/or wife; Domestic partners; including any children/foster children domiciled in the household who has not yet attained his or her 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

Couple: (2 persons, residing in same household)

- Husband and wife
- Domestic partners
- Parent and child/foster child who has not yet attained his or her 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

Associate: (has reached his or her 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday by opening day; must be domiciled in Club members home)

- Son or daughter of a Club member.
- Foreign exchange student with proper documentation.

Single Unit:

- Individual Person.

Babysitter/Caregiver

- Individual responsible for caring for Club members children in lieu of parent or guardian. Individual is only allowed entry to pool with individuals for whom they are babysitting.

Foster child/children require proof of certification by the family and the respective agencies.

Senior age qualification is 62+ with proof of age via government issued document.

Applications are limited. There are no reservations or refunds.

Dues are payable either in full or by three(3) payments, as designated each season.

All dues must be paid in full by opening day of the Club each summer season.

### **IX - TENNIS COURT RULES**

#### **A. GENERAL**

1. Tennis courts will be open daily from 10 to 8, weather permitting. The Club Manager or designated supervisor shall be the sole judge in determining whether the courts are suitable for play.

2. All persons are required to observe proper tennis court conduct and are subject to the same rules applying to Sher-Le-Mon Swim Club Individuals.
3. The Club Manager or designated supervisor will at all times possess absolute authority. If in his/her opinion any player appears over-exposed to sun or fatigued he/she will call an immediate halt in play.
4. If, in the opinion of the Club Manager or designated supervisor, persons using the courts are not qualified to play, or are damaging the courts, or are not conducting themselves in an orderly fashion, such persons will be asked to leave the courts.

**B. USE OF COURTS & RESERVATIONS**

1. Tennis courts are on a first come first serve basis when there are no activities scheduled and may be used for a duration of no longer than 1 hour for singles and 1½ hours for doubles. Lessons, leagues and reservations take precedence.
2. Any club member who would like to use the courts may make a reservation with an attendant at the Swim Club, prior to using the courts.
3. The registration log is the official guide in determining priority. Players may sign-up for a specific time, and list other players in the group. All lessons and leagues take precedence.
4. Please keep the courts clean by removing all trash and balls when you are done play.
5. No food, drinks (other than water and sports drinks) or chewing gum are allowed on the courts.
6. No profanities, yelling or screaming at any time while on the courts.

**C. COURT ATTIRE**

1. Smooth, rubber soled sneakers only, must be worn by all persons using the courts.
2. Dress must be in accordance with accepted standards.
3. The Club Manager or designated supervisor will be the sole and final judge in determining the suitability of all apparel and playing equipment.

**X - VOLLEYBALL COURT RULES**

1. Bare feet only in sand
2. Everyone must shower after playing and before entering the pool
3. No hanging on the net
4. No kicking or throwing sand
5. Children under 8 must be supervised by an adult or sitter who is responsible for the child.
6. Use of sand area is for volleyball play only.
7. Parents are reminded that the volleyball court is not a sandbox.