## **POOL PARTY RULES & REGULATIONS**

## The Recreation Department pool reservation policy is as follows:

- You MUST be a West Haven Resident.
- Reservation applications must be made in person and may not be transferred to a family member or friend.
- There is a minimum reservation time of 2 hours. The 2 hour reservation fee of \$185.00 for Saturday and \$200.00 for Sunday is payable at the time of application.
- If cancelled within 2 weeks of party, there will be **no refund.**
- A minimum of two lifeguards are needed for up to 30 participants. Depending on the number of participants, additional lifeguards may be required. Each additional guard hired will be able to accommodate up to 15 participants and will cost \$45.00 for each 2 hours.
- If you are unsure of the total number of participants at the time of reservation, **you must confirm the number of participants two weeks prior to the date of reservation**. If this is not done, the Recreation Department will hire the original number requested thus limiting your participants.
- Lifeguards have the right to impose any restrictions deemed necessary to ensure proper guard to participant ratio (15:1).
- All reservations are dealt on a first-come, first-served basis.
- You must adhere to the time parameters as specified. Ending times are strictly enforced.
- No wet swimmers are allowed in the bleacher area.
- No swimmies are allowed: kickboards and lifejackets are available. If you bring your own it must be Coast Guard Approved.
- You and your participants must adhere to all rules and regulations as stated by the lifeguards.
- No street clothing is allowed in the pool; all participants must wear a swimsuit or swim material shirt/short.
- If you are having any outside people or programs this must be cleared with Parks & Recreation Dept. for example: DJ, Scuba Diving Workshop, etc.
- NO GLASS ANYWHERE!
- NO BALLOONS.
- On occasion, pool maintenance problems may cause the Recreation Dept. to cancel your reservation. If this is necessary, the Recreation Dept. will notify you as soon as possible and will try to reschedule your reservation. If we are unable to reschedule, we will issue a full refund/credit.
- \*\*\*NO ALCOHOL!\*\*\* NO SMOKING or VAPING\*\*\*
- In the event you have an emergency with regard to your reservation on the weekend, you may call The Pool & Waterfront Coordinator at (203) 410-2298.

## **Upon Arrival:**

- Show your permit to the Lifeguard. Permittee **must** be in attendance.
- Once the majority of your party has arrived the lifeguards will go over the rules and regulations for the facility. These rules must be followed at all times.
- A **swim test** will be given to every swimmer. To pass this swim test you must be able to swim the width of the lap pool without stopping or struggling. This will be decided by the lifeguard conducting the swim test.
- If you are using any type of flotation device such as a kickboard or lifejacket or did not pass the swim test you must stay in the lap pool and be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older.
- If you are renting the facility for two hours, swimming will begin after the rules and swim test has finished. Swim time is for one hour and must happen first before any food consumption.
- If you are renting the facility for four hours. Swim time is no more than three hours. Participants are not allowed to stop and eat and then re-enter the pool at any time, this goes for every pool party.
- On occasion if thunderstorms/lightning starts we will need to clear the pool for swimming for 30 minutes. This is for your Safety. Please be understanding if this occurs. We will get you back into the pool as soon as possible.