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Pool and Spa

Please remember that every swimming area is inherently dangerous. Drowning can occur in a matter of minutes/seconds¹. Sadly, Orange County pools and spas has have one of the highest rates of child drowning in the nation and we must insist on various rules at our pool and spa to prevent this tragedy at the Broadmoor^{2,3,4}. Please make sure *all* of your visitors, family members, and tenants understand these rules. You, as the owner, are responsible for their conduct. Use of the pool and spa is limited to homeowners who are in residence, tenants in residence, and their guests only. Do not admit anyone who does not have a keyfob. You become responsible for their actions and are subject to a fine. **No lifeguard on duty -- Use at your own risk.** Prominent signs are posted at the pool area. Make sure your guests, family members, and tenants are aware of this very important matter.

1. The gate must be closed and locked at all times⁵. It only takes a few moments for a toddler to wander into the pool area and drown. We must be very strict about this rule. If you see the gate left open even momentarily, please pull it shut and make sure it is locked tightly to protect all of us against tragedy. Also, residents and guests are required to close and lock all pool and common area gates so as to prevent trespassers access to our community.

2. No infants or toddlers in the pool or persons who are incontinent or have had diarrhea in the last 14 days^{6,7,8}. All swimmers should stay out of the water when they are ill with diarrhea, infants and toddlers have very little control over bodily function, even if wearing swim diapers or swim pants. They risk contaminating the pool with feces and germs, which can make others sick.

3. No children under 14 years anywhere in the pool area without constant adult supervision^{9,10,11,12}. Parents, you must take responsibility for your children. Could we suggest that parents take turns supervising groups of their children and friends at the pool?

4. No one under 14 years in the hot tub at any time^{13,14}. The hot tub is not a kiddie pool or a play area. The's high temperatures are very dangerous to young children. Children 5-14 years of age use of a hot tub at temperature of 104 degrees, for more than five minutes at a time have led to dehydration, dizziness and nausea. The risk of heat exposure to these children and the difficulty in monitoring compliance, bars their use of the hot tub

5. Do not swim alone. Everyone knows how important this rule is. It only takes a few² to 3 minutes under pool water to drown or sustain permanent brain damage from a

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heart attack, a seizure, or ~~other difficulty~~ stroke to drown or sustain serious, permanent brain damage.

6. Do not tamper with or play with pool or rescue equipment. A few years ago, we were cited by the Health Department on a surprise inspection because children had removed the emergency rescue equipment. These are not toys. Please ~~make sure~~ insist that your children understand this rule.

7. No diving^{15,16}. Insurance companies ~~routinely~~ require that diving be prohibited in community pools like ours. It is just too dangerous, both for the diver and for other people in the pool area. If you want to practice diving or teach your children to dive, you must use a pool elsewhere which is designed for that purpose.

~~No pushing, shoving, running, yelling anywhere in the pool area.~~ The pool area is not a playground. ~~Rough housing creates constant danger that someone will fall or be pushed into the pool and drown. Noise is disruptive to the many units adjacent to the pool.~~

8. All children guests must be supervised at all times accompanied by an adult resident¹². The pool area is not a ~~substitute for a place to leave children without adult supervision~~ baby sitter. Parents, ~~you~~ must accompany your children and their friends to the pool and supervise them at all times.

9. No glass anywhere in the pool or spa area. ~~No~~ There are no exceptions. Broken glass creates an extreme hazard of serious injury and infection to barefoot swimmers.

10. Do not climb the pool fence. Use your keyfob to enter the pool area. We have gotten many complaints about children climbing the pool fence. Parents, ~~you~~ must accompany your children and, if applicable, their guests to the pool ~~and they must use your key to enter.~~

11. No pets (except for service animals¹⁷) or play equipment to include, but not limited to, boogie boards, bicycles, water guns, skateboards, rollerblades, Frisbees, etc., or pets. The pool area is not a playground. ~~Please play elsewhere.~~

12. No chairs on the wooden decks. The wooden decks are not designed to hold the weight ~~or design of the chairs.~~ This rule helps us and helps avoid serious maintenance problems. The decks are limited to sunbathers sitting or lying on towels.

13. Swim suits only. ~~No cut-offs, diapers^{6,7,8}, wetsuits, or street clothes or nudity in the pool or spa.~~ No nudity, swim suits only.

14. Shower Use soap and/or shampoo to shower before entering pool area and not in the pool or spa. ~~No soap/shampoo in pool or spa.~~ The shower is adjacent to the pool restrooms. We have gotten complaints about surfers in sandy residents with sand on their feet or wetsuits using the spa and pool. to "clean up." This sand creates a

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~~serious a maintenance nightmare for us~~ problem in clogging and overloading the filter systems. ~~The shower adjacent to the pool restrooms is functioning. Please use it before you enter the pool or spa.~~

15. Be courteous to other residents at the pool and in neighboring units. ~~The pool area is not a playground, no pushing, shoving, running, yelling anywhere in the pool area. Rough-housing creates a danger that someone will fall or be pushed into the pool. Use headphones~~ No loud ~~radios or tape~~ other types of audio ~~players. Not everyone shares your refined taste in music. Please bring your headphones and be courteous to other residents at the pool and in neighboring units.~~ Noise is disruptive to the units adjacent to the pool and disturbs those who are trying to relax around the pool.

HOURS: SUN-THURS: 7AM TO 10 PM FRI-SAT: 7 AM TO 11 PM