



## Pool Rules and Regulations

### Department of Parks (rev. 01/2023)

#### **Anderson Park Pool** – 8730 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue – 262.287.5675

Features a tot pool with a small child slide, an Olympic-size pool with diving well, a 231-foot flume slide, a 78-foot speed slide, and an interactive splash pad. Equipped with locker rooms, lockers, deck chairs, picnic tables and three pavilions on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **Washington Park Pool** – 1821 Washington Road – 262.287.5674

Features a zero-depth pool with interactive features, a 200-foot flume slide, a 10-foot-long, 6-foot-high drop slide and a diving board located in a dive well. Equipped with locker rooms, lockers, deck chairs, picnic tables and one pavilion on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Hours of Operation:** June, July, and August – 10 a.m. – 5:45 p.m. (Tuesday through Sunday)

CLOSED EVERY MONDAY & ON JULY 4TH

\*Dates and times are subject to change without notice.

The City of Kenosha Department of Parks has set the following rules, policies and procedures for the safety of all patrons at Anderson and Washington pools. The aquatic staff of American Red Cross certified lifeguards strive to maintain the highest standards in emergency training. The purpose of the aquatic staff is to respond in an immediate and professional manner if an accident or emergency should occur. They are not to supervise your child or children, but to prevent accidents from happening. Therefore, parents are expected to closely supervise their children and assist in enforcing the following rules, policies and procedures for the safety and enjoyment of all patrons.

These policies are subject to change at the discretion of the Department of Parks. Any changes will be posted at each pool. **All decisions of the pool supervisors/head lifeguards regarding rules, policies & procedures are final.**

**EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN** – Safety is a major concern not only when dealing with children, but especially when dealing with water activities. An Emergency Action Plan has been designed for all staff to follow in case of any emergency or accident. **One long whistle blow will activate the Emergency Action Plan, please follow lifeguard announcements.**

#### **Season Pool Pass Policies:**

1. The City of Kenosha is not responsible for lost or stolen passes - replacements are \$10 each.
2. The picture, name and age on the passes must remain intact and not damaged.
3. Passes are non-transferable.
4. Passes may be revoked at the discretion of the Department of Parks, if rules are not followed.

Pool season passes are available for **purchase only at the Department of Public Works** 625 52nd Street, Room 305, during advertised dates and times.

#### **Pool Admission Policies:**

1. Absolutely NO REFUNDS will be given if the pool is closed due to any circumstance.
2. Swim suits are required to enter the pool. Appropriate swimsuit attire is defined as clothing specifically designed for use in the water. Some examples of inappropriate attire include, but are not limited to: cut-off shorts, athletic shorts, jean shorts, basketball shorts, compression shorts, athletic pants, yoga pants, underwear, boxers, thongs, bras, sport bras, socks, leotards, athletic tank-tops, halter tops, etc. \*Attendants will ask if you have proper swim attire. Those without appropriate swim attire will not be allowed in the water. If inappropriate swim attire is worn in the pool you will be asked to exit the water & may not re-enter until appropriate swim attire is obtained.
3. No flotation devices of any kind are allowed, even if they are a part of swim attire. Some examples of flotation devices include, but are not limited to: life jackets, pool noodles, puddle jumpers, waters wings, etc.

4. NO DISPOSABLE OR CLOTH DIAPERS are allowed in the pools. Infants/toddlers who are not toilet trained & incontinent adults will be required to wear swim diapers under their swim suits. Swimmers not wearing swim diapers will be asked to exit the swimming area until a swim diaper is acquired. Infant/children swim diapers may be purchased at the pools.
5. All patrons must abide by all posted rules & lifeguard directives. Swimmers engaging in unsafe or disruptive behavior will be asked to leave the facility, with NO refund.
6. Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied & supervised by an adult 18 years & older at all times.
7. Parents with children ages 6 to 13 cannot be responsible for a group larger than eight (8) children. \*The ratio for this age group is one adult for every eight children (1:8).
8. Children younger than 6 must be accompanied by an adult, wearing swim attire, at all times & the child must be in visual contact of the adult at all times. One adult can only accompany a maximum of four (4) children, 6 years and younger. \*The ratio for this age group is one adult for every four children (1:4).
9. Admission will be refused to any person believed to be under the influence of any controlled substance or alcohol.
10. All persons entering the pool are required to take a cleansing shower before entering the pool & after using the restroom.
11. Patrons with open wounds, rashes, diarrhea or an infectious communicable disease are prohibited from using the pool areas & splash pad. Be aware that open cuts, blisters or wounds may become infected.
12. Swimmers are required to wear the appropriate wristband in the pools.
13. The actions & conduct of an organized group are the responsibility of the group's leader(s). Misconduct of individuals may result in the entire group's ejection from the facility, with NO refund.
14. The pool will be closed for public swimming if the air temperature is 65 degrees or below, or at the discretion of the manager on duty, based on inclement weather, attendance or unusual circumstances, with NO refund.
15. Pool management reserves the right to close the pool if attendance falls below 15 swimmers in the pool area at any time, with NO refund.
16. The City of Kenosha reserves the right to close the pool for the season if proper guard staff cannot be maintained.
17. The City of Kenosha reserves the right to change these rules to meet with Public Health requirements.
18. The City of Kenosha is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

#### **Pool Rules:**

1. No swimming when the pool is closed.
2. No swimming without lifeguards on duty.
3. No running on the pool deck or in the locker room.
4. No running or rough play is allowed in the pool or the locker rooms.
5. No pets, except service animals, are allowed in any of the pool facilities.
6. No radios or other acoustical devices are allowed.
7. No smoking, including vapor e-cig, is allowed within 25ft of any entrance to pool facilities, inside locker rooms or pool areas.
8. No tobacco products, alcohol and/or drugs are allowed inside the pool facility, inside locker rooms or pool areas.
9. No bicycles, scooters, skateboards are allowed inside the pool facility, locker rooms or pool areas. \*Infant strollers are allowed.
10. No gum chewing is allowed inside the pool facility, locker rooms or pool areas for safety reasons.
11. No food or drinks are allowed on the pool decks or areas at any time. Food and drinks are ONLY allowed in the designated picnic areas located in the grass. Water is allowed, if it is in an unbreakable container, on the pool deck only.
12. No glass products/containers are allowed inside the pool facility, locker rooms or pool areas.
13. Expression of physical or verbal abuse to any staff member or any other user of the pool facility is not allowed and violator(s) may be asked to leave the premises.
14. Socializing with or distracting the lifeguard on duty is not allowed.
15. No hanging on life lines.
16. No diving EXCEPT in designated areas.
17. No climbing or hanging on spray park equipment or any structure.
18. Snorkels are not allowed in the pool areas. Masks and goggles are allowed in the pool areas.
19. Street shoes are not allowed in the pool.
20. Spitting, spouting water or blowing your nose is not allowed in the pools.
21. Diaper changing is not allowed on the pool deck or pool areas. Use appropriate changing stations located in the locker rooms.

22. At the first sign of thunder or lightning, exit the pool and seek a fully enclosed shelter. Lifeguards will signal with a long whistle blow and an announcement to clear the pool. Remain indoors until at least 30 minutes after the last sign of thunder or lightning or until you hear lifeguard prompts.
23. Facility Rest Period (3:00pm-3:30pm): A loud whistle will blow, followed by an announcement, and all patrons must exit the pool and remain at least five (5) feet away from the pool at all times, no one is to enter the water at this time.
24. A whistle will be blown 15 minutes prior to the facility closing. All patrons must exit the facility no later than 5:45 p.m.
25. **TOT SLIDE ONLY:** Users must be UNDER 42" tall to ride the tot slide; parents may assist children on and off the slide. \*subsequent rules apply
  - a. Users must be 42" tall and/or able to swim from the landing pool to the steps/ladder/wall unassisted. If a user has to be assisted, he/she will not be able to use the slide.
  - b. Women who are pregnant, individuals with heart conditions or individuals with other physical impairments are advised not to use the slide.
  - c. Only one person may go down the slide at a time and they must exit the landing pool immediately.
  - d. Parents are responsible for ensuring their children have the swimming skills to go down the slide and be able to swim to the side unassisted. Parents may NOT hold children on the slide or wait in the landing pool to catch them.
  - e. At the discretion of the lifeguards, a swim test may be administered to evaluate a child's swimming ability. The unassisted test includes: swimming for 15 yards, floating on their back for 15 seconds and treading water for 15 seconds.
  - f. First time users, please ask lifeguard for instructions; all users must adhere to the instructions given.
  - g. Lifeguards will use "STOP" and "GO" commands to indicate when swimmers can and cannot go down the water slide.
  - h. Users must ride the slide feet first on their backs – DO NOT go down the slide head first or on your stomach. Riders may not run, dive, stand, kneel, rotate or stop on the slide at any time. Hands, arms and legs must remain in the slide at all times.
  - i. No watches, goggles, glasses, locker key or other sharp objects are to be worn or taken down the slide. This includes swimwear with exposed zippers, buckles, rivets or metal ornamentation. These objects can scratch the slide and/or cause personal injury. Pool staff will not hold any belongings for swimmers.
  - j. Riders assume all risk of injury due to misuse of the slide or for failure to follow these rules. Users engaging in unsafe behavior will lose pool privileges and may be asked to leave the premises.

#### **Splash Pad Rules:**

1. All previously stated facility policies and rules apply to the splash pad.
2. Street shoes are not allowed in the splash pad.
3. Recreational, wheel-based methods of transportation are prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to: skateboard, roller skates, roller blades, scooters, bicycles and other, similar recreation equipment.
4. Inflatable pool toys, athletic equipment and other recreation equipment is prohibited.
5. Radios and other acoustical devices are prohibited.
6. Diaper changing is permitted within the locker rooms only. Appropriate changing stations are located within.
7. No climbing, sitting or playing on any splash pad apparatus.
8. No drinking, spitting or spouting splash pad water from the mouth.
9. No running, rough play or profanity.
10. Do not bring food, drink, gum, tobacco or glass containers into the splash pad.
11. No soaps, detergents and/or shampoos are allowed in the splash pad.
12. No pets, except service animals, are allowed in the splash pad.

On behalf of the management & staff we look forward to seeing you & we hope that you enjoy your visits throughout the season. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to see the Pool Manager on site or contact the Department of Parks at 262.653.4080.

Thank you for past & future patronage.