

Ridge Top Club Rules

The spirit of the club is to provide for the maximum enjoyment of club facilities by all members. The Board of Governors may waive the rules for special occasions or to cover exceptional circumstances. Members anticipating unusual, individual circumstances may apply for such waiver to the Board.

I. SPECIAL RULES REGARDING MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

A. "SUMMER RESIGNEES"

Any member who wishes to exercise the privilege of relinquishing the rights of all individuals of that Member's Family Unit -- defined as the husband and wife or single head of family, dependent children under the age of twenty-one (21) and any other persons living in the home over the age of twenty-one (21) -- to use the Club facilities during the period from Memorial Day to Labor Day, inclusive, shall be entitled to an abatement of regular Dues as follows:

Summer Leave Dues shall be \$150.00. Requests for Summer Leaves must be made in writing to the Board. A Summer Member replacement, if available, will be chosen in order from the waiting list.

B. "SUMMER MEMBERSHIP"

Summer Memberships are offered to families on the waiting list for Regular Membership. If accepted, the Summer Member may have use of the Club facilities for the period from Memorial Day through Labor Day, and must pay the full Annual Dues fee for the year.

C. "SPECIAL CARETAKER MEMBERSHIP"

An active member may request, in writing, a special membership for an individual specifically assigned the care of the member's children. The Caretaker may use the Club facilities only insofar as such use is necessary for child supervision and safety, and not for personal recreation. The Active Member must pay the current fee for such a membership, which is \$200.00 per year.

D. WAITING LIST

Applicants for Active Membership are placed on a waiting list in order of application. As resignations from the Club are accepted, the next Applicant on the waiting list is offered an Active Membership. If this offer is not accepted, the Applicant is dropped from the waiting list.

As "Summer Resignees" are accepted, the next Applicant on the waiting list is offered a "Summer Membership".

E. RULES REGARDING ADULT CHILDREN AND PARENTS OF MEMBERS

1. A Club Member is defined as any family member living year-round in the home of an Active Member.
2. Once the child of an active member marries and moves out of the home, that child relinquishes the rights of membership.
3. A married child of an Active Member may make application for membership at any time after the marriage and shall be placed on a special waiting list which shall have priority over the regular waiting list. The dues shall be the current dues for Active Members and the initiation fee shall be the current initiation fee.
4. The parents of an active member not living in the same house as that Active Member may make a separate application for Active Membership and be placed on the special waiting list that applies to married children.
5. "Porch Member": Parents of an Active Member may be accepted for a single or joint Porch Membership upon payment of an annual fee of \$50 for a single membership. Porch Members are entitled to unlimited admission to the Club without additional charges, but they may not use the pool or tennis courts.

F. RULES REGARDING DIVORCED MEMBERS

1. It shall be the obligation of all Active Members to notify the Club whenever a divorce occurs within their immediate family. Such Active Member shall notify the Club of any agreement or decree regarding membership in the Club, so the records of the club shall be appropriately amended.
2. In the event that both parties to a divorce desire to retain membership in the Club, one party will remain as an Active Member, and the other party will be extended the privilege of being placed at the top of the waiting list, if such exists. When this party is accepted for Active Membership, the current dues and initiation fees will be due and payable to the Club in accordance with the established rules.
3. In the event that only one party to a divorce retains Active Membership in the Club, the children of that member may retain membership rights to the Club as a part of that member's family unit at the discretion of the Active Member.
4. Any agreement or decree binding on the divorced parties which allocates the privileges of membership in a manner permitted by the Bylaws shall be honored by the Corporation, and in the absence of such agreement or decree, the Board of Governors in its opinion may make such allocation by casting lots.

5. Any non-member who is the legal parent of a Junior Member shall be admitted to the Club as a guest, upon payment of the current adult guest fees. Such non-member parent may visit the Club as a guest for an unlimited number of times during the Season and must be accompanied by the Junior Member and have the consent of the Member Parent. The Member Parent shall be responsible to the Club for payment of guest fees regardless of any agreement between the parents themselves.

II. REGISTRATION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Registration of members and guests must be made daily. A registration book will be maintained at the Sign-In Desk. Any member using Club facilities must register and must also register children or guests for whom that member is responsible.

III. GENERAL GUEST RULES

Ridge Top members may invite guests to enjoy the club facilities, subject to the following provisions:

1. The Club distinguishes between two classes of guests: In-Town and Out-of-town. Guests. In-town Guests are those residing within a twenty- mile radius of the Club. Out-of-town Guests are those residing beyond a twenty-mile radius of the Club.
2. All Guests MUST be registered by a Member upon entry to the Club. This rule is in effect at all times including but not limited to prior to Memorial Day and after Labor Day.
3. Each In-town Guest may use all Club facilities for a total of no more than ten (10) times during the Summer Season (Memorial Day through Labor Day) regardless of the number of Members inviting them. The restrictions do not apply to Out-of-town guests.
4. A Member, as classified in Article V of the Club Bylaws, MUST accompany all Guests at all times.
5. Payment of the Guest fees established by the Board of Governors entitles the Guest to use all Club facilities. Current rates for Guests will be posted at the Sign-In Desk.
6. Any one or more of the members of the Board of Governors or their designees may waive the admission fee for any Guest who enters the Club for a limited time and for the purpose other than the active use of the recreation facilities.

IV. POOL REGULATIONS

The enjoyment of the pool and surrounding facilities by the members and their families is dependent upon as high a standard of sanitation and conduct as required by these rules. The support of everyone is required to ensure that they are strictly enforced.

The Club is not responsible for any accidents or injuries resulting from the use of the pool, nor is it responsible for the loss of valuables and other articles.

No one shall use the pool unless the Pool Director or designee is in attendance. The Pool Director or designee is in complete charge of the pool and their decision shall be final in all matters pertaining to the safety of swimmers.

The Pool Director may recommend to the Board of Governors the suspension of pool privileges of any adult or child who does not comply with these rules or with the Pool Director's instructions.

A. HEALTH AND SAFETY

The following rules no. 1 through 6 have been adopted in conformity with the requirements of the State Department of Health. Anyone infringing on these rules shall be subject to suspension from use of the pool:

1. All persons known to be, or suspected of being afflicted with a fever, cold, cough, inflamed eyes, skin disease, or other communicable disease, or wearing bandages over infected skin wounds, shall be excluded from the pool. The attendant's judgement shall be final in this regard- in case of doubt, a physician's certificate shall be required.
2. Immediately before entering the pool, each swimmer shall take a hot shower with soap. Another soap shower is required before re-entering the pool after leaving the pool enclosure.
3. Any swimmer who has used skin oil or ointment after showering must shower again before entering the pool.
4. Expectorating or blowing the nose in the pool is prohibited.
5. Nothing may be taken inside the pool area which may tend to pollute the water or injure the bathers. Specifically, this includes food and beverages on the pool deck. No dogs or other pets are allowed.
6. All accidents shall be reported to the Pool Director or Lifeguard on duty, then to the Club Manager.
7. There shall be no diving until the area below the diving board is clear of swimmers.

8. There shall be no running on the pool deck.
9. Immediate attention must be given to the Pool Director or Lifeguard on duty when the whistle is sounded.
10. Glass or other breakable containers are strictly prohibited in the pool area.
11. Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Club premises.

B. CHILDREN

1. Children unable to swim will not be allowed in the large pool at any time, unless taking swimming lessons, or accompanied by a parent or other responsible person. The Pool Director or Lifeguards shall be the sole judge of a child's ability to swim.
2. Children over seven (6) years of age are not permitted in the kiddie pool unless permission is granted by the Pool Director. Parents or other designated responsible persons must at all times accompany and assume all care and responsibility for children in the kiddie pool, and of children who are unable to swim when in the large pool, except when taking lessons, in which case, the instructor will assume responsibility.
3. Running, ball throwing, water guns and rough games are prohibited in the pool area. Bicycles are not allowed in the pool area; the Club bike rack in the parking lot should be utilized. Large rafts, air mattresses, or other inflatable flotation devices are not permitted in the pool area. The Pool Director or Lifeguard on duty may restrict the use of snorkels, fins, air tubes, and kickboards in the large pool.
4. Changing diapers or dressing children in or around either pool is strictly prohibited.
5. Children in diapers will not be allowed in either pool unless wearing special swim diapers.
6. In the event that any Lifeguard determines the pool has been contaminated with human or other waste, or for reasons of inclement weather or any other reason sufficient to require the closing of the pool and/or evacuation of the pool area, members shall follow the orders of the Lifeguards on duty.

C. LOCKER ROOMS

1. Lockers are provided for storage of clothing and towels, as well as shelves for leaving articles such as tennis equipment, while members are at the Club.

2. Valuables should never be left in the locker rooms.
3. The Club is not responsible for any items left in the locker rooms or elsewhere on the premises. There is a Lost and Found table located outside the locker rooms for articles left on the Club premises. Any lost items may be reported to the Maintenance Manager, Club Manager, or Desk Attendant. Valuables found on the property should be given to these individuals and not placed in the Lost and Found.
4. Parents are responsible for the behavior of their children on the Club grounds, including the locker rooms, and should adequately supervise their children and prohibit them from taking unreasonably long showers.

D. POOL HOURS

Daily and weekends: XXXX or as otherwise posted.

1. Hours are contingent on weather conditions, as determined by the Club Manager, Pool Director, or Maintenance Director.

2. The Pool Director may restrict portions of the pool area for two hours per week for group instruction.

V. TENNIS COURT RULES

1. No persons shall be permitted to play on the courts except members, guests of members with members and members' children.
2. Only tennis shoes recognized by the United States Tennis Association may be worn on the courts. No heels, hard rubber soles or treated rubber soles will be allowed. It is expected that appropriate tennis clothing will be worn; i.e., no bathing suits, jeans, or bare feet.
3. Courts will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, or as otherwise posted.
4. During the off season (the day after Labor Day to Memorial Day) members are still required to register their guests on forms provided and will be billed accordingly. The "5 times per year" restriction does not apply during this period.
5. The Tennis Director shall have general charge of the tennis courts and make special rules for use of the courts during tournaments, team matches and for reservation of courts or scheduling of lessons.
6. It shall be up to the discretion of the Tennis Director and/or Maintenance Director whether the tennis courts are playable.

7. Sponsored Club activities take precedence over individual play with at least 24 hour notice. Special rules may be made regarding intra-club matches or other club activities at the discretion of the Tennis Committee or Tennis Director.
8. Any infraction of the tennis rules will make the individual liable for suspension of court privileges. Therefore, it is hoped that all members will familiarize themselves with the posted regulations and honor the rules.
9. All complaints should be made in writing to the Board of Governors.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS

1. The Board welcomes suggestions from members for any improvements to the Rules that will increase the pleasure derived by members from the Club.
2. Any changes to the Rules will be posted promptly on the Website, and members will be notified by email.
3. Free use of the Club facilities will be granted to the immediate families of the employees engaged as Maintenance Director, Pool Director, Tennis Director, and Club Manager, concurrent with and limited to the period of employment.
4. Rules violations should be referred to the Board for investigation.
5. Parents or other responsible designated persons must accompany and assume all care and responsibility for children in the Club Playground area at all times.
6. Parents are responsible for damages or fees incurred caused by themselves, their guests, or their children. The Board reserves the right to institute reporting procedures for violations, including progressive disciplinary action for repeated breaching of the Club rules.
7. Violation of traffic and safety rules on the Club premises may result in loss of membership privileges.
8. Children of Active Members are not eligible for employment at the Club.