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**DEFINITIONS**

Board	The elected Board of Directors
Club	The organization and facilities accessible by membership and as specified in Club by-laws
Guest	Any non-member of the Club
Membership	Active participation with paid dues in the Club
Prospective Member	A non-member potentially seeking membership in the Club
Season	May to September in a single calendar year

**INTRODUCTION**

The rules and regulations herein have been devised, voted on and agreed by the Harrington Grove Swim & Racquet Club ("Club") Board of Directors ("Board") for the primary purposes to maintain the safety, health and comfort of all Club members. It is the duty and responsibility of all members, their children and their guests to adhere to and encourage compliance with all rules and policies. All members are expected to show the Club staff proper respect and cooperation at all times. Parents are requested to review these rules with their children to encourage cooperation and support. The Board reserves the right to post additional temporary

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or permanent rules at any time within Club facilities, and/or amend these rules in order to maintain the Club and member safety. Failure to comply with any written or posted Club rules may be considered sufficient cause for suspension of Club privileges without warning or refund.

The Harrington Grove Stingrays are the official Swim Team of the Club, though they operate completely independently of the Board and Club operations. Swim Team participation is encouraged for experienced swimmers under age nineteen (19). Information about the Swim Team may be posted at the Club and on the official Swim Team website at <https://sites.google.com/a/hgstingrays.com/www/>.

The Board welcomes your suggestions regarding any phase of Club operations; comments, grievances and/or complaints may be presented directly to any Board member or by contacting the Board via one of the following:

Harrington Grove Swim & Racquet Club  
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Raleigh, NC 27613  
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**GENERAL CLUB POLICIES**

1. These rules are in addition to all federal, state, county and city laws and ordinances which are in full effect on Club premises.
2. Harrington Grove Swim & Racquet Club is a private Club and admittance is permitted only in accordance with Membership and Guest policies (see below). Board reserves the right to grant, revoke or decline membership or guest privileges.
3. All Club facilities and grounds are closed from 11pm to 6am. Hours of operation are regularly reviewed by the Board and may be updated without prior notice in order to maintain compliance with all laws and regulations, and for the safety of the Membership. Current hours of operations shall be posted at the Club entrance and on the official Club website at [www.hgsrclub.com](http://www.hgsrclub.com).
4. Members are responsible for all damage done by themselves, their families and their guests to any Club facilities. Any person caught stealing or vandalizing Club property will be turned over to the proper legal authorities and may have their Club privileges suspended and/or permanently revoked in accordance with Club by-laws.
5. No loitering is allowed anywhere or at any time on Club property. Violators are subject to arrest.
6. No vehicles of any kind will be permitted on Club property except in areas designated for parking. No overnight parking is allowed on Club property and all vehicles must be removed by 11pm.
7. No vehicle maintenance is allowed on Club property.
8. No motorized vehicles, bicycles, skateboards or any type of roller skates are allowed in the Pool areas or on the Tennis Courts. Motorized vehicles are also not permitted on the Playground or on any Sidewalks or Trails.
9. Bicycle parking is allowed only in the designated bicycle racks.
10. Harrington Grove Swim & Racquet Club, Inc. is not responsible for loss or damage to personal belongings or vehicles on Club property.
11. Intoxicated or disruptive persons, as determined at the discretion of Club staff, will not be permitted anywhere on Club premises at any time, and are subject to immediate removal

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from the Club.

12. Excessive noise is prohibited on Club property.
13. Animals, except official service animals, are not permitted on Tennis Courts, on Volleyball Courts, in the Club House or in Pool areas at any time. Animal owners must keep any pet on a leash at all times. Owners must clean up after their pets while on Club property.
14. The Club will maintain receptacles onsite for disposal of waste and recycling. Club members and their guests are responsible for keeping all premises clean by properly disposing of all trash, litter, pet refuse and recycling.
15. Only authorized personnel are allowed inside the Club offices and pump room.
16. No glass containers are allowed in the pool area, except in the Club House or Concessions areas.
17. No rough or boisterous activity or profanity will be permitted on Club property.
18. No smoking, including use of electronic cigarettes or similar devices, is permitted on Club property.

## **POOL**

### **General Pool Policies**

1. The Pool is routinely inspected by and permitted to operate in accordance with the Wake County Health Department of Environmental Services Regulations Governing Swimming Pools. All such regulations shall be strictly enforced.
2. The Pool Manager and Lifeguards have authority and jurisdiction over the conduct of any persons and circumstances involving the Pool facilities. The Pool Manager and Lifeguard staff have the authority to suspend Pool privileges for a period not to exceed three (3) days for any rule violation; the Board may impose longer suspensions with reasonable and sufficient cause. Any suspension longer than three (3) days requires a board hearing.
3. In addition to general provisions regarding hours of operation, the Pool will close at 4 pm on days during home swim meets. Affected dates will be posted at the Club facilities and on the official Swim Team website at (<https://sites.google.com/a/hgstingrays.com/www/>).

### **Pool Entrance and Admittance**

1. The Pool is available only to Club members and their guests with accounts in good standing and with emergency contact information on file, or those considering membership, in accordance with member and guest policies as stated herein.
2. Board members are allowed to enter the Pool at any time.
3. Admittance into Pool during non-operational hours requires prior approval by the board.
4. Each member is required to electronically scan their member ID card in order to gain entry to the Pool. Each member, including each individual member child of any age, is required to have a digital photo on file with their Club account. In the event that a member ID card is not available at the time of check-in, a member may gain entry via photo ID verification with their Club account.
5. Member children must be at least ten (10) years of age to enter the Pool without a parent or guardian and require accurate contact information on file. This privilege will be revoked in the case of a disciplinary problem as discussed with the affected member(s). Parents will receive only one warning before a sitter is required. Sitters must be at least sixteen (16) years old and be a member or have a valid sitters agreement with

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arrangements pre-arranged with the Board. The Board will make all judgments concerning these matters.

6. NC Department of Environmental and Natural Resources Rules for Public Swimming Pools Section 15A NCAC 18A .2526 requires that all bathers must shower before entering the pool.
7. Diaper-aged children must wear a swim diaper to access any part of the Pool, including the Wading Pool. Violations resulting in a required pool closure will incur a fine for the cost of water treatment up to \$250.00.
8. Admission to the pool will be refused to anyone with serious open wounds, eye infections, or wearing bandages.

**Lifeguards and Pool Breaks**

1. The Board shall arrange a lifeguarding service for regular Pool hours.
2. Lifeguards' primary responsibilities are to ensure the safety and wellbeing of members and guests using the Pool and surrounding facilities. The lifeguards have full authority to enforce all rules as stated herein or posted on Club premises.
3. Visiting with or talking to lifeguards on duty is not permitted.
4. Lifeguards have ultimate discretion as to what is not a safe activity.
5. Lifeguards require a 10 minute break once per hour during which the Main Pool will be unsupervised. Lifeguards have discretion to require additional breaks as necessary and within reason to maintain the safety and wellbeing of members and guests. During breaks, no one under the age of 18 is permitted to have any part of their person in the Main Pool. Entrance to the Wading Pools during Main Pool breaks is permitted, in accordance with Wading Pool rules (see below). Lifeguards have full authority to withhold anyone from re-entering the Main Pool at the conclusion of any break in the event that break rules are violated.
6. Lifeguards have full discretion to temporarily evacuate the Pool and surrounding areas due to sanitary concerns, a weather event, or for any other reason to maintain the safety and wellbeing of members and guests. In the event of thunder, everyone must exit the Pool. In the event of lightning, everyone must evacuate the Pool Deck. Lifeguards will provide further instruction.

**Main Pool**

1. Entry to the Main Pool can be made from the shallow end, any permanent ladder, via the diving well (see separate rules regarding the diving well), via any installed accessibility device or from within two walking steps of the Pool edge. Running from the Pool Deck to enter the Pool is not permitted. All entries must be made from on foot (i.e. no handstand entries).
2. Each individual is expected to take personal responsibility that their entry to the Pool shall not harm or disturb others in the Pool or the vicinity of the entry.
3. Diving is not permitted, except in the diving wells.
4. No standing or sitting on others' shoulders is permitted in the Pool (e.g. "chicken fights").
5. No food, drink, or chewing gum are allowed while in the Pool.
6. No floatation devices (e.g. tubes, rafts, rings) with the exception of "noodles" and infant floats, are allowed in the Pool. Children with approved swimming aids must be in the shallow roped section unless accompanied by a guardian.
7. No hanging on dividers or lap lane ropes is permitted.

**Pool Deck**

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1. No running, pushing or rough play is permitted on the Pool Deck at any time.
2. It is not permissible to push or throw any person from the Pool Deck into the Pool at any time.
3. Furniture on the Pool Deck and Pavillion may be moved around, but may not be removed from the Pool Deck - including but not limited to placement in the Main Pool, Wading Pool or Club House - at any time.

**Diving Well**

1. Use of the Diving Well is restricted to only those who are able to swim safely without aid from others. "Catchers" are not permitted in the Diving Well.
2. No free swim is permitted in the diving well, unless authorized by an on duty lifeguard and with proper blockading of the diving boards.
3. Divers on the diving boards have priority entry. Entrance from the Pool edge is permitted; however, it is each person's responsibility to ensure safe entry to the pool with diving board users having right of first entry.
4. Only one (1) person at a time is allowed on a diving board. Entering from a diving board must be made only from the end of the board. Only one bounce and no running are permitted on a diving board.
5. Swimmers must exit the Diving Well from the nearest ladder.

**Pool Basketball**

1. Dunking is not permitted
2. The rim should not be disturbed and hanging from the rim is not allowed.
3. Alley-oops are not permitted.

**Lap Lane**

1. Lap Lane swimmers take priority over all other Pool users. Do not interfere with swimmers in a roped Lap Lane.
2. Do not enter or exit the Pool by crossing a roped lap lane when in use.

**Wading Pool**

1. No person over the age of five (5), other than a parent or guardian, is allowed in the Wading Pool at any time.
2. Parents or guardians are responsible to attend to children in the Wading Pool area at all times. Lifeguards shall not attend to the Wading Pool.
3. No food, drink, or chewing gum are allowed while in the Wading Pool.
4. Diving is not permitted in the Wading Pool.

**TENNIS**

**General Tennis Policies**

1. Use of Tennis facilities is restricted to Club regular hours of operation (see General Club Policies).
2. Only Club Members are permitted to play on a Harrington Grove Tennis team.
3. Two timers control Tennis facility lights. A 24-hour timer enables lights during Club regular hours of operation. The playing timer limited to one hour is located under the weatherproof cover on the left side of the power panel. Any problems with the lights

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should be reported to the Board (see Introduction).

**Tennis Entrance, Admittance and Reservations**

1. Tennis courts shall be accessed via a controlled locking device, restricted to members only. Members are prohibited from copying or loaning out their access key. Violators are subject to suspension of their membership.
2. Guests must be accompanied by at least one Club member.
3. Tennis courts are available on a first-come, first-serve basis with reservations taking priority. Members are encouraged to make court reservations in advance of play.
4. An official calendar including reservation, lesson and other sanctioned event times shall be maintained at on the official Club website at <http://www.hgsrclub.com/events.html>.

**Tennis Courts and Play**

1. Tennis Courts are for Tennis or pickleball only. No unrelated sporting equipment is permitted on the Tennis Courts at any time.
2. Please keep the Tennis Court gates closed at all times. Do not slam gates shut.
3. If there are waiting players, singles play is limited to one hour and doubles play is limited to one and one-half hours.
4. Children not playing tennis are not allowed on the Tennis Courts.
5. Proper tennis attire shall consist of smooth sole tennis shoes and traditional tennis clothing.
6. No food or chewing gum are allowed on the Tennis Courts.
7. Proper tennis etiquette and sportsmanship must be practiced at all times.
8. No pets are permitted on Tennis Courts at any time.

**CLUB HOUSE**

1. Use of the Club House is for rentals and sanctioned events only.
2. The Club House may be rented in full hour increments and the renter is responsible to vacate the premises by the conclusion of their final rented hour. The Board shall maintain the Club House rental schedule and shall make every effort to facilitate at least a 30 minute gap between rentals when practical.
3. No wet clothing, pool toys or other wet items are permitted inside the Club House at any time.
4. Furniture inside the Club House is not to be moved outside the Club House (including onto the adjacent Pool deck) at any time. Likewise, furniture from the Pool deck is not permitted to be brought into the Club House at any time.
5. External Club House doors are to remain closed at all times, except in the case of an emergency.
6. Club House rentals may be arranged via the official Club website at [www.hgsrclub.com](http://www.hgsrclub.com).
7. Renters are responsible to maintain and clean the Club House during and following any Club House event. The renting party is responsible for any damage that may be caused to the Club House or any Club facility during a rental. The renting party risks forfeiture of any deposit for damage or failure to properly clean the Club House at the conclusion of any event.
8. Club House rental rates may be reviewed and revised routinely without prior warning at the discretion of the Board. Current Club House rental rates shall be found on the official Club website at [www.hgsrclub.com](http://www.hgsrclub.com).
9. The Board shall facilitate a routine cleaning service for general cleaning of the Club

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House interior; however, this service does not excuse any renting party from responsibilities as described herein.

**PLAYGROUND AND SURROUNDING GROUNDS**

1. The Playground closes at sundown, except when the Pool is open during regular Club hours as posted or in the case of a sanctioned Club event. Playground lights are intended for security.

**MEMBERSHIP AND GUESTS**

**Membership Policies**

1. Please refer to the Club by-laws for all membership policies.
2. The Board may, without prejudice, refuse membership to any individual or group that may constitute an unreasonable danger to the health or safety of the other members.

**Guest Policies**

1. Guests must be accompanied at all times by a member of at least 14 years of age.
2. All non-member admittance to the Club is only for Club Members in good standing in accordance with the policies herein.
3. Grandparents, when accompanying Members, shall be admitted to the Club at any time free of charge and without a Member ID or guest pass. No prior arrangements are required for admittance of grandparents.
4. Each Membership is permitted up to two (2) Tennis guests at one time free of charge and without a Member ID or guest pass when accompanied by a Member. Tennis guests have an unlimited number of access privileges, so long as each time they are accompanied by a Club Member.
5. The Guest Fee is \$5 per guest per each visit to the pool. For holidays, the guest fee is \$10 for 14 and over, \$5 for under 14 years of age. Each Membership family is authorized to bring up to five (5) guests per visit. Members bringing greater than five (5) guests are required to register a party through the Club.
6. Prospective Members may access the Pool one (1) time without admittance as a Member guest and only with prior agreement from the Board at least one week in advance. Prospects cannot attend during holidays or holiday weekends.
7. Guests living within the solicited membership area (2 miles) are limited to five (5) visits a year.
8. A multi-day pass for out-of-town visitors may be obtained from the Board at a rate of \$10 per individual or \$25 per family per week. Multi-day passes shall not be prorated. Prior arrangements for a multi-day pass must be made at least one week in advance.
9. Members may arrange for Pool access by a guardian or sitter, aged 16 or older, at a rate of \$80 per Membership per season. Arrangements for a guardian or sitter pass, to include a signed agreement between the family and the guardian or sitter, must be made with the Board at least one week in advance.
10. A Member who is a day-sitter may bring up to two (2) children in her/his care to the Pool on Monday through Friday from the time of Pool opening to 4pm (or during inclusive operating hours as posted). Chiltern must be non-dependants up to age five (5) and there is a charge of \$80 per child per season.

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**Club Rental Policies**

1. Club facilities may be available for paid rental by Members and non-Members.
2. The Board shall regularly review facility rental rates for market competitiveness. The rate structure and may be changed by the Board without prior notice.
3. Rental information and rates shall be maintained on the official Club website at [www.hgsrclub.com](http://www.hgsrclub.com). Rentals may be reserved through the Club website.

**Suspension, Restriction, Termination, or Change to Membership**

1. Please refer to the Club by-laws for related policies.

**LIABILITY OF THE CLUB**

Members and guests agree to save harmless the Club from any and all liabilities and actions whatsoever by any member or guest created by the use of the swimming pool area, except where such loss, injury or damage can be clearly proved to have resulted from and been proximately caused by the direct negligence of the Club or of Club employees in the operation, care or maintenance of the premises, or any portion of or facility upon the property, which the premises are a part.