



Vista Lakes Community Association, Inc.

Pool Area Rules and Regulations

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**VISTA LAKES RESIDENTS' CLUB
VISTA LAKES POOL
HOURS OF OPERATION**

Pool hours are subject to change as conditions dictate. The official current pool hours are posted at the pool office and on the Vista Lakes website (VistaLakesFL.com)

**VISTA LAKES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
POOL AREA REGULATIONS**

RESIDENTS AND GUESTS USE THE POOL, SLIDE, PLAYGROUND, AND ALL OTHER FACILITIES WITHIN THE POOL AREA AT THEIR OWN RISK.

THE POOL STAFF IS PRESENT TO ENFORCE THESE POOL AREA REGULATIONS.

PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOR AND SAFETY.

THE POOL STAFF DOES NOT SUPERVISE CHILDREN.

The "Pool Area" consists of the three pools, surrounding pool decks, the playground, the pavilion, restrooms, sidewalks, landscaped areas, and dock area. In other words, the "Pool Area" consists of everything inside the tall outer fence perimeter.

Within this document "Pool Staff" includes the pool lifeguards, maintenance staff, the Vista Lakes Community Director, Community Coordinator and Vista Lakes Association Manager.

Per Orange County Health Department regulations, a maximum of 243 persons are permitted in the Pool Area at all times, including the Pavilion. Attendance will be limited.

I. ACCESS TO THE POOL AREA

Resident Access

- All residents 13 years and older must have a Vista Lakes Identification Card to enter the Pool Area. Identification Cards may be obtained at the pool office. Proof of residence will be required.
- No children under 13 are permitted in the Pool Area unless accompanied by a resident at least 18 years old. Residents escorting children may be required to display their driver's license or other forms of proof to show proof of age.
- All residents, children and guests must enter the pool gate by the pool office adjacent to the back parking lot on the west side of the pool.
- Everyone must be signed in by the Pool Staff upon entry to the Pool Area.

Guest Access

- All guests must be escorted by a resident at least 18 years old, unless they have a valid Vista Lakes short-term or long-term guest pass. Residents may be asked to show their driver's license or other form of proof (pass port, government ID, etc) to show proof of age. Guest eighteen years and older must have picture ID.
- A maximum of five guests per household (not per resident) are permitted access to the pool area at a time.

- For guests staying at a resident's house for two weeks or longer, residents may request a long-term guest pass at the pool office that is good for five or fewer guests. Long-term guests must be at least 18 years old to enter the Pool Area unescorted. Residents must pre-register long-term guests and obtain a guest pass at least 24 hours prior to the first pool visit by the guest(s).
- For guests staying at a resident's house for less than two weeks, the resident may request the Pool Staff to issue a short-term guest pass, good for one guest. This pass will allow guests to enter the Pool Area unescorted provided they are at least 18 years old. Residents must pre-register their guests at the pool office at least 24 hours prior to the first pool visit by the guest.

II. POOL RULES AND BEHAVIOR IN THE POOL AREA

- THE POOL STAFF MUST BE OBEYED AT ALL TIMES.
- No diving at any time is permitted in any pool.
- Running, pushing, snapping towels, "chicken fights", rough play, swinging from the ladders and other inappropriate behavior is not permitted. The Pool Staff is the sole judge of what constitutes inappropriate behavior.
- Food may not be kept or consumed at poolside.
- Inflatable arm-bands are allowed in the Pool Area. All other flotation devices must be Coast Guard-certified.
- No glass containers or alcoholic beverages are permitted in the Pool Area. The Pool Staff will inspect coolers.
- No rafts, floats, boats, water guns, soakers, or radio-controlled watercraft are permitted in the Pool Area.
- No swim fins may be used unless specifically permitted by the Pool Staff. Denial of use will be based on the number of people present at the pool.
- No grills, radios, bicycles, skates, skateboards, scooters, animals, or anything the Pool Staff judges inappropriate is permitted in the Pool Area.
- No chewing gum is permitted in the Pool Area.
- Towels should be placed on chairs before using (to prolong the life of the chairs by preventing degradation from sun tan lotion)
- All swimmers should shower before entering the pool.
- All sand must be washed off after leaving the playground area and heading towards the pools.
- Smoking is not permitted within the Residents Club or Pool Area.
- Proper and decorous swim suits (e.g., no street clothes, cut-offs, thongs or see through) must be worn in the Pool Area. Non-swimming attire is allowed in the pool area if not swimming.
- Children wearing diapers are not permitted in any of the pools, including the wading pool unless the children are wearing swimming diapers.
- No one is permitted to play or climb on the elephant in the wading pool.

- For the comfort of others, use the restroom facilities for changing diapers; changing tables are available in some restrooms.
- Only ages 6 and under are allowed in the wading pool.
- Each resident or unescorted guest with a valid Vista Lakes guest pass is responsible for cleaning up all trash and clutter created by them or their guests and children.
- Any person causing damage or creating a mess inside the Pool Area is liable for the costs of repair and clean up. If a guest or child causes it, the responsible adult will be held accountable. Every effort will be made to recover the costs from the responsible individual so the costs of one resident's damage or mess will not have to be borne by other residents. Please report any person causing damage or abusing the facilities to the Pool Staff or the Orlando Police Department.
- The Vista Lakes Homeowners' Association including Pool Staff is not responsible for any items lost or stolen. Items left when the pool closes, except wet towels, will be kept in the pool office for one week, and then discarded.

LAP POOL

- The marked lanes in the lap pool are reserved for lap swimmers.
- No one is permitted to hang on or pull on the lane markers.

SLIDE

- For safety reasons, pregnant women, persons with heart conditions, and persons with back trouble should not use the slide.
- Children must be at least 48 inches tall to use the slide.
- Children must be able to swim to use the slide.
- Swimmers may not catch children at the bottom of the slide.
- Running up the stairs leading to the top of the slide is not permitted.
- Single riders only are permitted. Parents are not permitted to take children down the slide.
- No one weighing over 300 pounds may use the slide.
- Riders must wait until the previous rider is off the slide before starting.
- Riders must come down feet first, either sitting up or lying on their back.
- Running, standing, diving, kneeling, rotating, or stopping on the slide is not permitted; all body parts must be kept inside the slide at all times.
- Eyeglasses must be securely affixed to riders with head straps.
- No flotation devices are permitted on the slide.
- Swimwear with exposed zippers, buckles, rivets, or metal ornamentations is not permitted on the slide.
- After completing their ride, riders must immediately move outside the area marked by the black tile on the bottom of the pool unless exiting the pool using the stairs. The safety zone marked by the black tile is reserved for slide riders.

III. SUSPENSION OF RIGHTS

A resident and/or guest can have their rights to use the VLCA Pool Area suspended for the following reasons:

- Any resident delinquent in association assessments will be denied access to VLCA common areas including the Pool Area.
- Dangerous activities, rude behavior, failure to obey Pool Staff directives, and repeated regulations infractions will, solely at the discretion of the Pool Staff, result in the offender (and their accompanying resident if the offender is a child or guest) being immediately evicted from the Pool Area for the remainder of the day, and may result in the suspension of Pool Area rights for a longer period of time. A letter will be sent to the offending homeowner stating the reason for the suspension, name of the person(s) suspended, and length of any suspension longer than one day.
- For minor infractions the Pool Staff will provide a warning to the individual before suspension of rights. After 2 warnings from the Pool Staff, such as slide infractions, jumping off the bridge, dangerous horseplay, the individual(s) will be warned and the parent informed if present that the next violation will result in up to a 30 minute suspension of the pool rights. At this time the Pool Staff supervisor is also notified. The 30 minute suspension will be given with explanation that any further violation of rules will result in a suspension of rights to use the Pool Area for the remainder of the day.
- If Pool Area rights are suspended and the resident and/or guest refuses to leave, an explanation of trespassing is provided to the individual along with a notice given that OPD will be called to trespass the individual.

IV. WEATHER RELATED CLOSURES

When thunder and lightning are present the Pool Staff has the authority to close the Pool Area consistent with the Vista Lakes Weather Policy. The pool will be cleared immediately. Swimmers and guests may wait under the shelter by the pool office or Resident's Club. The playground will also be closed for safety. The Pool Staff will update those waiting if the weather conditions cause an extended pool closure. Swimmers and guests may only reenter the Pool Area when instructed by the Pool Staff.

The Pool Area may also be closed due to a hurricane warning issued by the National Weather Service. Once a decision is made to implement the Vista Lakes Hurricane Preparedness Plan, the Pool Area will be closed until the danger has passed and the facilities have been restored to a safe condition.