

Swim Policy

All swimming is confined to the marked and enclosed areas of the waterfront. Use of the waterfront is restricted to times when the Waterfront Director is on duty (or a designated Lifeguard).

Before waterfront swimming privileges will be granted, all campers are to be tested and assigned to a swim area according to ability:

RED: Capable of swimming less than one of the area between the north and south docks. Lacks confidence for swimming in deep water.

GREEN: Must swim one or more lengths of the area without touching bottom (one length of elementary backstroke) and tread water for one minute.

Swimmers may swim in a lower area, but not in a higher area. Upon request to the Waterfront Director, campers may be re-tested to move to a higher swim area designation. Swimmers who complete their test, but still do not swim at a satisfactory level for the supervising Lifeguard may be assigned to a lower swim color for their own safety.

All swimmers (campers and staff) will be checked in and out of the swim area on the Buddy Board by the waterfront staff member assigned to this post. Non-participants are to remain behind the fence.

The on-duty Lifeguard is to hold a Buddy Check every 10 minutes, or less, for the purpose of accounting for each individual in the swim area.

During clinic periods, a Lifeguard will be on duty to serve as or assist the instructor. During Day Camp swims, Day Camp Leaders are responsible for their own groups.

The following safety rules are to be observed and enforced:

- A. The Waterfront cannot be opened by anyone not Lifeguard certified.
- B. Campers and staff must walk down-hill on the trail. No running or going off the path.
- C. All campers and staff must check in through the Buddy Board. No exceptions.
- D. No swimming under the rafts or docks at any time.
- E. No diving from the docks.
- F. No running on the docks.
- G. Do not hang on the marker lines.
- H. No shoving, dunking or horseplay around the raft, docks or boating area.
- I. No night swimming.
- J. No flotation devices are to be used during recreation swims.
- K. No chewing gum or eating while in the swim area.
- L. No fishing in the swim area.

Day Camp Procedure

Day campers are only allowed to swim in the red section. Guards shall be posted on the dock and shore at a ratio of at least 1:10 during swim. Every 10 minutes, or less, a swim check will occur.