

Mueller Property Owners Association Pool Rules and Regulations

Pool Emergencies and Concerns

- Health or safety emergency: call 911
- Non-emergency concerns and complaints:
 - Weekdays: 512-703-9202
 - After hours and weekends: 512-737-5417
 - On-site private security patrol: 737-346-9100
 - Email: Mueller@coherelife.com

Outdoor Pool Amenities

The outdoor pool amenities owned and operated by the Mueller Property Owners Association (POA) include enclosed pool areas, swimming pools, pool restrooms, pool equipment, office and storage space, and other pool-related facilities. These amenities are collectively referred to as the “pool area” in this document.

The Mueller community has two pool areas:

- a) Ella Wooten Park, 2047 McCloskey Street.
- b) John Gaines Park, 2708 Sorin Street.

Swim Season

The Mueller Master Board sets seasonal opening and closing dates and daily hours for the pool areas, with input from the POA Pool Committee.

Public Access and Fees

Mueller pool areas may be open to the public during certain times of the year, as determined by the Mueller Master Board with input from the POA Pool Committee. The POA must abide by local and state laws and regulations for public pools when pools are open to the public.

The Mueller Master Board sets public user fees annually, with input from the POA Pool Committee, using the City of Austin’s pool fees as a guide.

POA Members Pool Season and Schedule

The pool areas are generally open to POA members from March 1 through November 30.

- a) Ella Wooten POA member hours: 5:00 am to 10:00 pm Tuesday through Sunday. Closed on Monday for cleaning and maintenance, except on major holidays.

- b) John Gaines POA member hours: 5:00 am to 10:00 pm Thursday through Tuesday. Closed on Wednesday for cleaning and maintenance, except on major holidays.
- c) Lap swim: On days when the pool areas are open, they are reserved for lap swimming only from 5:00 am to 8:00 am.

Public Pool Season and Schedule

The pool areas are generally open to the public from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

- a) Lifeguards must be on duty at all times during public pool hours. The pool area will be closed to the public if lifeguards are not present at any time during the day.
- b) Ella Wooten public hours: 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm Tuesday through Friday; noon to 10:00 pm Saturday and Sunday.
- c) John Gaines public hours: 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday; noon to 10:00 pm Saturday and Sunday.

Pool Area Rules

Pool areas are subject to the following rules. The Mueller Master Board may revise any rules within its purview at any time, with input from the POA Pool Committee. POA rules may not conflict with applicable state and local laws and regulations.

Pool Area Access and Use

1. Pool Area Entry. POA members must present a POA pool pass to be admitted to the pool area without paying an entry fee.
2. Public users and POA members without a pool pass and their guests must pay an entry fee.
3. Prohibited Entry. No one is allowed to be in the pool area when the pool area is closed.
4. POA Members' Guests. Each POA member household is permitted to bring a maximum of four (4) non-POA member guests into the pool area at any time. All guests must be accompanied at all times by the sponsoring POA member, who must be 18 or older. Guests are required to register when they enter the pool area.
5. Any requests to reserve any part of the pool area must go to the POA. Requests for exclusive use must be approved by the Mueller Master Board in accordance with the Community Recommendations policy.
6. Adult Supervision. All children age 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older to enter the pool area and must be actively supervised by the person accompanying them at all times. This rule applies even when lifeguards are on duty.
7. Lap Lanes. Lap lanes designated by ropes are for lap swimming only and lounging in them is prohibited. Adults and children may swim laps in the lap lanes. Lap lanes should remain empty when not being used by a lap swimmer. Sitting or hanging on the divider ropes is prohibited.

8. Temporary Closing. Access to the pool area, or any portion of the pool area, may be temporarily closed or limited due to occupancy limits, weather, pool area conditions, maintenance, or other reasons. Entry into the pool area during regular hours is prohibited when a lifeguard, pool manager, or POA staff posts a "CLOSED" sign at the entrance.

Pool Toys and Equipment

9. Prohibited items. Lifeguards, pool managers, POA staff, and security guards may prohibit or confiscate toys they deem to be hazardous to others.
10. Hazardous Toys. Water guns, Nerf guns, frisbees, tennis balls, footballs, and any other hard balls, toys, or other items deemed hazardous by a lifeguard, pool manager, POA staff, or security guard are prohibited in the pool area.
11. Water Toys. Soft balls, dive toys and soft plastic toys such as dive sticks and Nerf balls are allowed only in the shallow end (4 feet or less), and only if the pool is not crowded.
12. Flotation Devices. Small inflatable floats, swim boards, baby floats, and other floating devices are allowed only in the shallow end (4 feet or less), and only if the pool is not crowded. Children must be actively supervised and within arm's reach of an accompanying adult when using them. Oversized floating devices, lounge floats, and rubber inner tubes are prohibited.
13. Snorkels and Swim Fins. Snorkels and fins are allowed in the pool. Children age 14 and under must be supervised by an accompanying adult age 18 or older when using a snorkel. Fins may only be worn in the pool and must be removed when out of the water.
14. Wheeled Items. Use of bicycles, roller skates, skateboards, scooters, and other wheeled recreational items is prohibited in the pool area. Pool users may temporarily store a bicycle inside the pool area at a designated location near the entrance gate and are solely responsible and liable for damage or theft of their bicycle.
15. Strollers and Wagons. Adults may bring baby strollers, wagons, wheelchairs, and other wheeled transportation equipment into the pool area. Strollers and wagons must be safely secured and stored on the grass or concrete away from the pool deck.
16. Damage or Theft. The POA, lifeguards, and security guards are not responsible for bicycles, toys, or other personal items inside the pool area and are not liable for their damage or theft.

Pool Area Safety

17. Posted Rules and Warning Signs. There is always a risk of personal injury when using the pool or the pool area. All pool area users must read and observe all the posted warning signs and rules in the pool area. The POA will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries, or losses in the pool area.
18. Lifeguards. Lifeguards are present at the pool only during public hours. When lifeguards are on duty all pool area users must follow lifeguard instructions. Members of the public who are not guests of a POA member may not enter the pool area unless lifeguards are present.
19. Lifeguard Signs. Signs are posted stating "NO LIFEGUARDS. SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK." When no lifeguards are on duty, POA members and their guests may choose to swim at their own risk. Children age 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older.

20. **Hourly Rest Period and Safety Check.** When lifeguards are on duty, all children under the age of 18 are required to get out of the pool for a 10-minute rest period and safety check every hour. Parents are encouraged to change children's diapers or take them to the restroom during this time.
21. **Severe Weather.** The pool will close for 30 minutes when thunder is heard and/or lightning is observed. The pool will reopen 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or lightning is seen. Everyone must leave the pool area immediately and seek shelter when thunder or lightening is present.
22. **Pre-Swim Shower.** All swimmers must take a rinse-off shower in the pool area restroom before entering the pool.
23. **Swim Diapers.** Children who are not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper under their bathing suit and a plastic or rubber diaper cover over their bathing suit while in the water. They must also wear a swim diaper or regular diaper while out of the water in the pool area.
24. **Biological Contamination.** Anyone aware of a fecal incident, vomiting, or other hazardous biological contamination in the pool must immediately report it to a lifeguard or, in the absence of lifeguards, to the POA and other pool users. All swimmers must exit the pool immediately for their own safety. The pool will be closed for sanitation and reopened when it is safe to swim again.

Prohibited Activities and Items

25. **Diving.** Diving into the pool is prohibited.
26. **Running.** Running, jumping, or skipping near the pool is prohibited.
27. **Dangerous Play.** Fighting and rough horseplay is prohibited in the pool area, including chicken fighting and dunking. Children and adults are prohibited from sitting on the shoulders or holding onto the back of another person in the pool area, both in and out of the water.
28. **Food.** Food of any kind including gum and candy is prohibited in the pool area to protect water quality and sanitation and help prevent infestation of ants and other insects. Picnics, ice chests, and coolers are also prohibited.
29. **Drinks.** Water and nonalcoholic juices and sodas in cans, drink boxes, or plastic bottles are allowed in the pool area but not in the pool. Open cups are not allowed due to spills.
30. **Alcohol.** Alcoholic beverages or products of any kind are prohibited in the pool area. Persons possessing alcohol or suspected of being intoxicated will not be allowed in the pool area.
31. **Glass.** Glass of any type is prohibited in the pool area.
32. **Tobacco.** Tobacco products of any kind are prohibited in the pool area. Smoking, chewing, or vaping is not allowed anywhere within the pool area. Persons using tobacco in the pool area will be required to leave.
33. **Illegal Drugs.** Illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia of any kind are prohibited in the pool area. Persons suspected of possessing or using illegal drugs will not be allowed in the pool area.
34. **Weapons.** Firearms, knives, slingshots, and other weapons of any kind are prohibited in the pool area. The discharge of firearms, pellet guns, bow and arrows, slingshots, and other hazardous items is prohibited. Persons suspected of possessing a weapon will not be allowed in the pool area.

35. SCUBA Equipment. SCUBA diving equipment, such as tanks, regulators, and buoyancy control devices, is prohibited in the pool area.
36. Flotation Devices. Oversized floating devices, lounge floats, and rubber inner tubes are prohibited.
37. Hazardous Toys. Water guns, Nerf guns, frisbees, tennis balls, footballs, and any other hard balls or toys deemed hazardous by a lifeguard, pool manager, POA staff, or security guard are prohibited.
38. Wheeled Items. Use of bicycles, roller skates, skateboards, scooters and other wheeled recreational items is prohibited in the pool area, with the exception of bicycles temporarily stored by pool users in a designated area.
39. Music Devices. One- and two-speaker music devices are prohibited. Earphones or headphones must be used when listening to music in the pool area so that others cannot hear the sound.
40. Animals. Animals are not allowed in the pool area due to water quality, sanitation, and safety concerns, with the exception of service animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The ADA states that service animals are allowed in a swimming pool area, but not in the pool itself. Service animals should be properly supervised and restrained in the pool area.

The U.S. Department of Justice and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) define a service animal as “a dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability.” Emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals do not qualify as service animals under the ADA. www.ada.gov/resources/service-animals-faqs

Personal Responsibilities

41. Respectful Behavior. Profanity, lewd behavior, and excessive displays of affection are prohibited in the pool area.
42. Trash Removal. Every pool area user is responsible for cleaning up all trash and other debris they bring into the pool area. Trash and debris must be deposited in appropriate trash receptacles.
43. Swimwear. Suitable bathing attire must be worn when swimming. Cut-offs and street clothes are not appropriate swimwear and may not be worn in the pool. Overly revealing swimwear including thong bottoms is prohibited.
44. Footwear. Shoes, clogs, sandals, tennis shoes, or other appropriate footwear must be worn at all times in the pool area, except when entering, exiting, or in the pool.
45. Lawn Chairs. Pool users may bring lawn chairs into the pool area and must take them when they leave.
46. Lost Items. Any items left unattended in the pool area for more than three hours will be removed and placed in a lost and found bin. The lifeguards and the POA are not responsible for items left unattended.
47. Lockers. Pool area restrooms have lockers available for temporary day use. Locks must be removed by the end of the day. Lockers may be searched at any time and any prohibited items will be confiscated and disposed of.

Violations of Pool Rules

A violation of any of these pool rules may result in disciplinary action by lifeguards on duty, a pool manager, a security guard, and the POA. The disciplinary action will be determined by the severity of the violation, the risk imposed on others as a result of the violator's actions, and the violator's subsequent behavior and compliance with instructions.

Lifeguards, pool management, POA staff, and security guards are the final authority on matters in the pool area. Anyone who disagrees with a decision must adhere to the decision at the time and may file a complaint with the POA.

Disciplinary Actions

1. A violator may be given a "timeout" and instructed to leave the pool or the entire pool area for a specified length of time.
2. A violator may be instructed to leave the pool area for the rest of the day. No refunds will be given to paying pool users.
3. The POA may send a written warning to the violator, or the violator's parent or guardian.
4. Continued violations may result in the loss of pool privileges for a period of time including the duration of the remaining pool season, at the discretion of the Mueller Master Board, with input from the POA Pool Committee.
5. The POA will report criminal actions to the Austin Police Department. Criminal prosecution or other legal action may be pursued.
6. The POA may assess fines and request reimbursement from property owners for expenses to repair damages caused by them, their family members, or their guests.
7. The POA may file a civil complaint to seek legal remedies, including fines and recovery of any expenses to repair damages, against anyone who violates the pool rules or causes damage in the pool area.


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