

HETHWOOD FOUNDATION SWIMMING POOL POLICIES

Hethwood has great swimming pools for your enjoyment!

Hethwood Foundation, Inc.
750 Hethwood Blvd., Apt 100 H
Blacksburg, VA 24060
540-552-5252

Huntsman Pool
2631 Sheffield Drive
Blacksburg, VA 24060
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Briarwood Pool
Unavailable due to the new
amenities center construction.

1. HUNTSMAN POOL HOURS: Monday – Friday 10 am to 8 pm, Saturday 12 pm – 8 pm, Sunday 12 pm- 6pm

HETHWOOD OFFICE HOURS: The office is located on the 2nd floor of the 100 building in Apt. H- above the Foxridge Welcome Center. The office is open weekdays M-F 8:30am to 5:30pm and typically closed for lunch 1-2pm. We do not want to miss you. Sometimes our job requires us to be out and about, so a phone call ahead may be prudent.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF MANAGEMENT AND RESIDENTS

All persons using the pool or pool area do so at their own risk and sole responsibility. The management assumes no responsibility for any accident or injury in connection with such use. Persons using the pool covenant and agree with the owner or management to make no claim against the owner or management for, or on account of, loss of life or personal injury or damage to or loss of personal property.

3. IDENTIFICATION

All adult residents are to show a picture identification card when entering the pool area. It is our policy to ask everyone for proper identification, *even if we know you*. This is done to establish residency, treat everyone equally, and satisfy Fair Housing requirements. Adults, please have your ID ready when being admitted to the swimming pool. Children (or adults in certain circumstances) not having a picture ID, will be issued a pool pin by the Hethwood office. Pins are to be worn at all times upon entering the pool area. Initial pins are free; however, replacement pins (nonrefundable) may be purchased for \$2.00.

4. GUESTS

All guests must be accompanied and registered by a resident. Residents will be allowed to entertain up to three guests on any one day. Conduct of the guest is the direct responsibility of the resident. Guests are subject to the rules that apply to residents.

Guest fees are \$4.00 at the pool gate. Children 2 years and under are free.

Yellow Pass

- Yellow discounted guest passes are \$3.00 ea. and must be *pre-purchased @* the Hethwood Foundation office (see hours above).
- Residents may purchase as many yellow passes as wanted throughout the current season.
- The yellow pass is valid for one visit per one guest during the current season.

Orange Pass

- Orange discounted guest passes are \$3.00 each, and must be *pre-purchased @* the Hethwood Foundation office.
- Allows for one resident to entertain up to 6 guests pending availability of lifeguards
- This pre-purchased pass requires a designated day that the resident and their guests will be attending. This allows us to evaluate staffing for a larger than average bather load.

If pools close early (for weather or other) then two hours of pool use is considered a completed pass-see lifeguards. If the pool is closed on the designated day (for orange pass) then the resident will be required to return to the Hethwood office for selection of another date. Passes will only be valid for the current season. No refunds will be given if passes are not used during the current season. We can not be responsible for the weather or seasonal lifeguard availability. Passes will not be accepted on July 4th & certain special events.

5. POOL SUPERVISION

The pools will be in the charge of a qualified head lifeguard who will be under the direct supervision of the management. ***The pool staff has the authority to suspend any resident's swimming privileges due to rule, regulation or policy violation.*** (The suspension period may vary with the severity of the violation). Pool staff may request a swim proficiency test at any time.

6. SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

- Babysitters must be 16 years or older. Babysitters/care takers registered through the Hethwood Office will not be charged a guest fee unless another adult from that family comes to the pool while they are babysitting.
- Children under 4 yrs. may use the wading pool only when accompanied and supervised by an adult/guardian or babysitter.
- Children 10 yrs. and under must have an adult/guardian or a sitter at least 16yrs. to be permitted entry to the pool/building areas.
- Children 11 and 12 yrs. may come to the pool unaccompanied by an adult provided, they pass the swim test (*must be able to swim 25 meters with good form and tread water for 1 minute*). Parent must be present while lifeguard administers test, and both sign proficiency form.

7. **UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY**
Swimming is permitted only when the pool is open. Violators will face disciplinary action by management.
8. **PRIVILEGES**
If a resident is delinquent in the payment of rent, late fees, damages, or dues, pool privileges will be suspended. Residents that are not current may not use the facilities *or be a guest* under any circumstances.
9. **PROPERTY DAMAGE**
The cost of any damage will be charged to the responsible party. Management cannot be responsible for loss or damage of any kind.
10. **USE OF LIFE PRESERVERS, ETC.** Artificial flotation devices (water wings, inner tubes, pool noodles etc.) may not be used at any time. U.S. Coast Guard approved personal floatation devices (PFD'S) may be approved, by consulting with a lifeguard. Floatation swimsuits may be used only if the brand is U.S. Coast Guard approved.
11. **CLOSING OF THE POOL**
The pool may be closed at any time due to inclement weather, equipment breakdown, or other operational difficulties.
12. **DIVING RULES** - This equipment is strictly for use at your own risk.
- Only one person may be on the diving board at a time.
 - Diving is **ONLY** permitted straight away from the board. No diving toward the walls will be permitted.
 - **No specialty dives.**
 - Upon completion of the dive, swim to the nearest ladder IMMEDIATELY. Do not swim under the boards.
 - In the interest of the majority, and at the sole discretion of the lifeguards, the diving boards may be closed.
13. **FOOD AND BEVERAGES AND THEIR CONTAINERS**
No intoxicants may be brought into the pool area. No food or drink will be consumed in the immediate apron portions of the pool area. Trash and refuse must be placed in the receptacles provided; please recycle. No glass or other breakable objects will be allowed. Coolers may be checked for contents of glass or intoxicants. **Smoking is not permitted inside the fenced area** of the pool. Ashtrays will be provided outside of the area for your convenience.
14. **RULES CONCERNING HEALTH & RESTROOMS**
- Restrooms will be open during pool operation.
 - Before entering the pool, all bathers must take a cleansing shower.
 - Admission will be denied anyone with skin abrasions, colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infection or anyone wearing bandages. Bathers should impose this responsibility themselves, but if in doubt, consult the lifeguards.
 - Swim diapers must be worn by any bather who is incontinent, lacks toilet training or is otherwise deficient in voluntary control of excretory function.
 - Pollution of the swimming pool is prohibited. Urinating, discharge of fecal matter, expectorating or blowing the nose in any swimming pool is prohibited.
15. **DRESS**
All bathers must wear appropriate swimming attire (bathing suit or wet suit). Dripping bathing suits in the building areas must be avoided! ***Cut-off shorts and other street apparel will not be allowed in the pool!*** Bathers must wear fully opaque coverings (refer to Town of Blacksburg Code Section 14-108). Thongs are prohibited.
16. **PETS**
Pets are not allowed in the pool area. Pets may not be tied to trees, fences, or other structures in the Hethwood common area outside of the pool.
17. **WHEELED RECREATION VEHICLES**
Wheeled recreation vehicles, skateboards, roller blades, or skates of any type, will not be allowed in the pool area. Wheelchairs and strollers are permitted.
18. **PHONES**
The telephones located at the pools are reserved for emergency and staff business use.
19. **REVISION OF RULES**
These rules may be revised or additional rules established at any time. Please ask office or lifeguards for a listing of additional pool policies and basic lifeguard guidelines. Questions regarding conduct or pool rules should be addressed to the Head Lifeguard or Management.