



CITY OF **MENTOR**

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City of Mentor Operating Plan for the Civic Center Public Pool Facility for the Summer 2020

General Guidelines

- The City of Mentor is intending to operate Civic Center Pool for Mentor residents only. Morton Pool and Garfield Pools will remain closed for the season. Limiting patrons to residents only will reduce an expected surge of persons from other communities not offering public pool access and reduce the risk of transmission from persons travelling from communities with higher overall COVID-19 cases.
- The facility will be limited to 300 guests plus employees. Including employees, the number of persons will not exceed 330 persons. This capacity is established by taking the total square feet of the deck area and dividing it by 78.5 square feet of area per person. 78.5 square feet represents each person with a five-foot radius around them, effectively providing ten feet of distance from the center point of any person. This is a much greater distance than is required to insure six feet of safe separation, which is probably closer to 50 feet. In fact, state guidelines for indoor activities has been placed at 35 square feet per person. The city is also choosing to exclude all pool surface area in calculating capacity, recognizing that there are times during the day when no persons will be allowed in the pool and must remain on the deck area. If all 300 patrons were to utilize the pool at the same time (which is unrealistic), there would still be 60 square feet dedicated to each person.
- No groups will be allowed to gather anywhere in the facility who are not from within the same household.
- The limited concession service provided will comply with all orders and guidelines in place through the Responsible Restart Ohio for Restaurants and Bars.
- All other regulatory and licensing requirements of the state of Ohio and Lake County General Health District for the operation of a public pool will be followed and maintained as in all other operating years throughout the season.

Physical Configuration

- All deck furniture will be physically separated on the deck area with no less than six feet of separation between them. Persons within the same household will be allowed to move furniture in closer proximity during their stay, and distancing will be restored after their use.

Only furniture constructed of non-porous materials that can be effectively sanitized after each use will be used (for example, wooden pick nick tables will be removed).

- Splash pads will remain closed.
- Water recreation features will be removed or rendered unusable to patrons. These include the water climbing wall and obstacle course. No water slide is currently active.
- There will be no use of showers or lockers permitted at the facility, with the exception of lockers provided for lifeguards.
- Restroom capacity will be limited to no more than the total number of toilets and urinals in each lavatory. Capacity will be posted on the entry to each lavatory.
- Separate ingress and egress points will be established and strictly maintained except in case of emergency.
- Signs will be posted at multiple points in conspicuous places leading into the facility, at the facility entry point, and within the facility deck area informing patrons of all facility rules they are required to observe.

Staffing

- Lifeguards will be staffed at state-required levels. No lifeguards will be used for insuring compliance with social distancing or other rules while on duty as a lifeguard.
- There will be no less than two employees monitoring deck and pool activity to prevent reckless behavior, enforce social distancing, and regulate the gathering of groups from outside the same household.
- Two employees will be utilized exclusively for the purpose monitoring the use of deck furniture, restoring proper distancing between furniture, and sanitizing each piece of furniture after each use.
- An employee will be posted at the ingress point and an employee will be posted at the egress point of the facility to ensure no common travel ways are blocked, no unauthorized access occurs, and the strict limit of no more than 300 patrons is maintained.

Personal Safety Procedures

- Face masks will be worn by all employees who are not employed as lifeguards. Lifeguards who are performing non-life saving mitigation activities will also wear face masks.
- All employees will have their temperatures checked at the beginning of each shift. Those persons with a fever exceeding 100.4 degrees will be sent home and monitored.

- Supplies for hand washing, including soap and materials for drying hands, will be checked and resupplied after each lavatory cleaning. Hand sanitizer will be available to all employees in their work area.
- A plexiglass barrier will be installed at the counter separating employees who directly engage the public entering the facility.
- Restrooms and high-touch surfaces will be cleaned at an interval of no less than every two hours. A schedule will be posted to ensure compliance.
- All deck furniture will be disinfected with an approved disinfecting solution after each use by employees designated for that purpose.
- Messages will be placed on the pavement reminding patrons of proper social distancing and the need to maintain it.
- Personal flotation devices are not permitted.
- Rules governing the operation of the facility and the conduct required by employees and patrons will be posted at the facility, on the City's website, and on multiple city social media accounts. Rules will also be distributed to all persons purchasing an entry pass.

Message to be posted at the facility, distributed to patrons during entry pass purchase, and communicated through website and social media

PLEASE READ AND ABIDE ALL OF THE FOLLOWING AS YOU ENTER THIS FACILITY:

1. Civic Center Pool is limited to use by Mentor residents only. If you do not have a seasonal pass, you will be required to show proof of residency.
2. Do not enter this facility if you are sick, if you have tested positive for COVID-19, or if you were exposed to someone with COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
3. This facility is limited to 300 guests, in addition to employees. Once that limit is reached, you will not be able to enter until someone exits.
4. You must maintain social distancing of six feet or more between yourself and those outside your household, when feasible, throughout this facility. The use of a face mask is encouraged (outside the water) if social distancing cannot be maintained.
5. You may not gather in groups that include members outside your household unless you maintain six feet of separation.
6. Do not stand, sit, or otherwise block common walkways or narrow passage areas.

7. Please use the designated exit point when leaving the facility, IT IS NOT the same as the entry point.
8. Locker and shower facilities are not available for use. Please consider not bringing items of value into the facility.
9. Restrooms and other high-touch surfaces will be cleaned no less than every two hours.
10. Restrooms capacity is limited. Please observe limits posted at the entry of the restrooms.
11. Deck furniture is arranged to insure social distancing. If you move a seat or chaise lounge chair near your household group, please return it to its original position after use.
12. Pool employees will sanitize each piece of deck furniture after each use. Please notify an employee (not a lifeguard) when you have finished using the seat or chaise lounge chair. These employees will be identified by bright yellow shirts.
13. Please practice good personal hygiene, including washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using hand sanitizer, refraining from touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands, and coughing and sneezing into an elbow or tissue.
14. You may not share any personal flotation device used for protection or recreation with someone outside your household other than in an emergency. You are discouraged from using all other shared objects, such as goggles and snorkels.
15. Please clean up after yourself by removing any trash you may have created during your stay.
16. Refusal to adhere to these rules may result in your removal from the facility.