

PLY~MAR SWIM & TENNIS

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RULES & REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS

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**GOVERNING USE OF THE CLUB FACILITIES,
POOLS, AND TENNIS COURTS AND
GUEST REGULATIONS AND FINANCIAL RULES**

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I. OPERATING RULES

The following rules are for the protection and benefit of all club members and their families and guests. They have been set up to assure safe and sanitary use of Club facilities. Parents are requested to caution their children to observe all rules and to obey instructions of the Club Manager and other Club employees. Any failure to comply with these rules shall be considered cause for immediate suspension of the offending member for a period from one (1) to (7) days, and can also lead to expulsion from the Club. Members are expected to act in accordance with the best interest of the Club.

Parents are responsible at all times for their children's conduct and safety. Parents of any child receiving a warning will be contacted by the Club Manager.

A. CLUB HOURS AND ADMISSION

1. Club hours will be determined by the board of directors. The hours will be established at the annual meeting in March of each year. The Club hours will be published in the opening mailing and posted at the Club each season.
2. Hours may be ended on certain nights at the discretion of the Club Manager.
3. No children under the age of 9 will be admitted unless accompanied by a Club member 16 years of age or older.
4. All children under the age of 13 (as of June 1 of the current year) will be required to leave the Club at 5 p.m. unless accompanied by a Club member 16 years of age or over.
5. A ten minute notice will be given in advance of closing time. All persons must leave the enclosed area not later than 15 minutes after the Club closes.

B. HEALTH & SAFETY

1. All members, including children, and their families and guests use the pool and other Club facilities at their own risk.
2. Use of the baby pool is limited to children under 48" in height, each of whom must be **ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES.**
3. Use of the pool may be refused to anyone with colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, skin abrasions, skin infections or similar disorders and to those wearing bandages.

4. Running, wrestling, tag, ball playing, etc. are forbidden on the concrete deck. Pushing or throwing anyone into the pool is prohibited. Roughhousing in the pool is also prohibited. These kinds of activities are dangerous to all involved.
5. Only one person is permitted on the diving board at one time. A person may dive from the board only after the previous diver has reached the ladder.
6. Diving or swimming under the boards is prohibited. Divers must swim clear of the boards upon completion of the dive. The diving well must be entered only from the boards and left only at the ladder.
7. All floating aids, including but not limited to water rings, suits and inner tubes are prohibited in the main and intermediate pools. The use of facemasks and snorkels are also prohibited in the main and intermediate pools. Flippers, water balls and goggles may be used only at the discretion of the Club Manager or life guard. Small floating aids and small non-metal, non-breakable toys are permitted in the baby pool only.
8. Smoking of any tobacco products is not permitted on Club property.
9. The pool deck must be clear of chairs and other obstructions at all times. Club chairs only are permitted around the baby pool.
10. The swimming lane in the main pool is for lap swimming only. Swimmers are to enter and leave the swimming lane only at either end thereof and may not stop in or cross over the lane at any time.
11. No breakable containers of any kind, including but not limited to glass bottles and beverage containers are allowed inside the Club area at any time. No metal or breakable plastic toys are allowed in any pool area.
12. Any injury to any person on the Club grounds must be reported to the office immediately.
13. The guards are present for your protection. Talking or loitering at their stands is strictly prohibited.
14. Hanging or placing clothes, towels or any other personal belongings either on the fences or on the flower bed walls is prohibited.
15. Only folding chairs, playpens and portable cribs of light construction, each of which fold flat for storage, are permitted in the storage building.
16. Chairs and other permitted articles must be stored neatly in the storage racks provided for that purpose in the storage building. Failure to observe this rule will result in denial of storage privileges. Stored items must be removed from the Club before the end of the swim season. Items left after the season may be disposed of by the Club manager.

17. No person shall be admitted to the inner office except on specific Club business.
18. Children who are not toilet trained must wear properly fitting swim diapers in the water and are limited to the baby pool only. Removal of the diaper for entry into any pool is strictly prohibited.
19. Parking – The traffic pattern in the parking areas is one way at all times. The traffic pattern in each parking lot is in the counter-clockwise direction. Thus, right hand turns from the driveway are made immediately upon entering the parking lot, while left hand turns into the lower lot must be made into the lane near the refreshment stand. Do not park in prohibited areas. Parking is prohibited on the main driveway to the club at any time.
20. No electrical device, including cell phones, tablets, radios, hair dryers, etc., may be connected to any Club receptacle without the express permission of the Club Manager.
21. Loitering and playing are strictly prohibited at all times in the locker rooms and snack bar.
22. Playing, skateboarding, bike riding and loitering are strictly prohibited at all times in the parking area.
23. Use of Pools
 - a. Members under the age of 13 who have not passed a swimming test are permitted to swim only in the shallow half of the intermediate pool unless they are accompanied by a responsible adult who is dressed in swimming attire, subject to the prohibition of subparagraph d, below.
 - b. Red Band – Members under the age of 13 who demonstrate to a life guard that they can swim one (1) length of the main pool will be given a red bend. Good stroke is not necessary. Wearing the Red Band entitles a member to swim anywhere in the intermediate pool and in the 3' to 4' deep area of the main pool.
 - c. Black Band – Members under the age of 13 who demonstrate to a life guard that they can swim two (2) lengths of the main pool (the first must be a crawl stroke with consistent breathing and maintenance of stroke) and jump off the diving board and swim to the ladder will be given a black band. In the alternative, members under the age of 13 who demonstrate to a life guard that they can swim four (4) lengths of the main pool (regardless of stroke) and jump off the diving board and swim to the ladder will be given a black band. Wearing the black band entitles the member to swim anywhere in the intermediate and main pools.
 - d. The use of the diving well is limited to those swimmers with a black band.
 - e. Swimmers may use the diving well when divers are not present. Members seeking to use the diving boards are given precedent in the use of the diving well.

All swimmers must clear the diving well if a member wishes to use the diving boards.

- f. The use of the swimming pools by guests 13 years of age and under will be restricted according to their swimming ability.

II. GENERAL RULES

A. All members are subject to the following rules. Members are responsible for their guests and the compliance of the following rules by their guests.

- 1. Each member must scan their card at the front desk before entry to the Club is permitted. If a member is unable to present his/her card, the member must check-in with a Club employee at the front desk before entry to the Club is permitted.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD TRANSFERABLE TO ANYONE ELSE. ANY SUCH TRANSFER WILL BE CONSIDERED A SERIOUS BREACH OF CLUB RULES AND SUBJECT TO SUSPENSION AND/OR EXPULSION.

2. Food & Beverage

- a. No food of any kind will be permitted on the concrete deck adjacent to any of the pools or in any of the bathrooms.
- b. Due to the limited number of picnic tables, picnic tables in the picnic area may not be reserved for later use. Picnic tables may be occupied only when actually preparing for and consuming a picnic meal.

c. Snack Bar Area

- i. Use of the covered patio is reserved for those members purchasing food or drink from the Club snack bar or at the discretion of the snack bar manager.
- ii. Use of the covered patio's tables is reserved for food consumption only. Card games and other games are not prohibited on these tables.
- iii. Members and their guests eating at the snack bar area are expected to clean up upon leaving the area, including disposal of all trash and return of any snack bar receptacles.

- 3. Waste material must be put in the containers provided therefore. Throwing waste objects into the pools and generally littering the Club grounds shall be basis for the suspension of Club privileges.

- 4. No pets shall be permitted any time within the Club grounds.

5. Persons under the influence of illicit drugs and/or intoxicated will be denied admission to the Club grounds.
6. The Club is not responsible for loss or damage to personal property. Valuables should not be brought on Club grounds.
7. Possession or use of illicit drugs on Club property is strictly prohibited and violation will be grounds for immediate expulsion.

III. GUEST REGULATIONS

A. ADMISSION

1. Guests must be accompanied by a sponsoring member, 13 years of age or older. Guests must enter the Club through the main entrance of the office and must register and pay the guest fee upon entering the Club. Admission is limited to bona fide guests and will be denied to persons seeking frequent entry in lieu of membership. A MEMBER WHO BRINGS A GUEST TO THE CLUB MUST STAY WITH THAT GUEST AT ALL TIMES WHILE HE OR SHE IS ON THE CLUB GROUNDS. WHEN THE MEMBER LEAVES THE CLUB GROUNDS, THE GUEST MUST LEAVE WITH THAT MEMBER.
2. Guest Fees
 - a. Non-swimming adult guests accompanied by a member will be admitted to the Club grounds upon payment of the prescribed fee. Such guests are not entitled to use the Club recreational facilities, nor shall they be in bathing attire at any time.
 - b. Guests entering the Club as noted in subsection (a.) above may be relieved of payment of the fee if, upon registration, they indicate an intention to restrict the duration of their visit to one (1) hour or less.
 - c. Parents of adult members who do not use the Club recreational facilities and who are not in bathing attire will be admitted without payment of any fee.
 - d. Adult guests of member will be admitted without payment of a fee as spectators at special athletic events (e.g., swim meets, tennis tournaments, etc.).
3. Guests accompanying visiting athletic teams will be admitted as spectators without charge.

B. HOUSE GUESTS

1. Each member 13 years of age and older is permitted to purchase one or more house guest passes (non-transferable) for bona fide house guests. A house guest is defined as one who resides in a member's home for a period of time not less than three consecutive days. Such passes will permit full use of the Club's facilities by the house guest for a period of one week at the prescribed fee.

C. GENERAL

1. Members are responsible for acquainting their guests with all Club rules and are responsible for the conduct of their guests.
2. Members who violate the foregoing guest regulations may lose all guest privileges for the season, and may be subject to suspension from the Club under Section 12.7 of the Club By-laws.

D. SPECIAL GROUPS

1. The Club facilities can, in certain cases, be made available to members and their guests (adult or children) for private functions after regular pool hours. The charge for any such event will ordinarily be \$50, plus the cost of necessary pool personnel. Application for such special use shall be made, in writing, to the Board of Directors.
2. Members using the Club facilities under the above arrangement will be responsible for the conduct of their guests, and such guests must comply with all Club rules.

IV. FINANCIAL RULES

A. ANNUAL DUES

1. MEMBERS MUST PAY MINIMUM DUES FOR EACH CLUB OPERATING SEASON FOR SO LONG AS THEY OWN STOCK IN THE CLUB. "Minimum dues" are defined as the amount of dues payable for either a "single membership" (the holder of one share of stock) or a "family membership" (the holder of two shares of stock), as such terms are more completely defined in Section 7.2 of the Club By-laws. Under no circumstances will any member be granted a respite from the payment of dues for any operating season.
2. Failure to pay annual dues by the date specified for payment will result in the assessment of a late penalty on the delinquent member, the amount thereof to be fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time. Late penalties and annual dues must be paid in full before members may use the Club facilities.
3. Dues payable for those dependent children of family members who will use the Club facilities must be paid in full before said children may use the Club facilities. The amount thereof will be fixed by the Board of Directors from time to time. Such children are defined as those who have or will attain the age of two (2), but will not reach the age of twenty-three (23) by June 1 of the current year.
 - a. No membership charge is made for children who have not reached the age of two (2) by June 1 of the current year.
 - b. Single children of members who have or will reach age twenty-three (23) by June 1 of the current operating year must acquire stock in the Club to continue to enjoy membership privileges. If they have previously enjoyed membership privileges,

children will be given priority in acquiring stock and will not be charged an initiation fee, provided, they join the Club before reaching their thirtieth (30) birthday. Where the parents of child applicants still retain Club membership, no initiation fee will be charged, regardless of age.

B. STOCK REDEMPTION

1. Members wishing to resign from the Club and redeem their stock must notify the Financial Secretary in writing, enclosing the stock certificate or requesting an affidavit of lost certificate. Such notice must be directed to the Club at Box 182, Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania 19462 and must be received on or before January 31 of any year in order to insure that dues will not be assessed for that year, in accordance with By-Laws 12.1 and 12.2.
2. Members wishing to resign from the Club who give notice of their intention to do so after January 31 but before May 1 may be required to pay dues for the season, dependent on whether the Club is able to secure a replacement member for the season.
3. Members wishing to resign from the Club who give notice of their intention to do so after May 1 shall be required to pay dues for the season.
4. In the event payment of dues or any penalty is required of a resigning member as described above, the amount thereof will be deducted from the stock pay value and the balance remaining will be remitted to the resigning member.

V. TENNIS RULES

The following rules have been set up to assure fair and equitable use of the tennis facilities of the Club by those entitled to the use of such facilities under Club rules. The success of the tennis program depends on compliance with these rules by all members.

1. Tennis courts will be available for use throughout the year. Keys will be issued upon request for a nominal charge to provide access to the courts during the non-swimming season. **THE KEY IS NOT TRANSFERABLE. MEMBERS MUST LOCK BOTH THE TENNIS COURTS AND THE MAIN GATE WHEN LEAVING IF THE COURTS ARE NOT IN USE.**
2. During the swimming season the gates to the tennis courts will be opened and locked by Club personnel.
3. Only tennis players will be permitted on the courts and, except for formal clinics, not more than four (4) players will be permitted on any one court at any time.
4. Junior members (under sixteen (16) years of age by June 1 of the current year) may have their playing time restricted on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays at any time or after 5 p.m. on weekdays if adult members are waiting to use the courts. An

exception to this rule will be made for those junior members having full-time employment which would prevent playing during regular junior member hours.

5. Proper tennis attire is required at all times. Playing attire shall include tennis shoes, shorts or skirts, and shirts. Bathing suits may not be worn on the court.
6. The Club reserves the right to schedule a limited number of special events and to restrict use of the courts for such purposes. Advance notice of at least 48 hours shall be given of such events by posting a copy of the notice in the Club office.
7. Guests:
 - a. All of the above rules are applicable to guests.
 - b. During the swimming season, the use of the tennis courts will be extended to Club guests subject to the payment of the regular guest fee at the Club office.
 - c. During the off-season (any day when the Club is not open) or when play is complete prior to operating hours during the season, payment of the guest fee for any day must be remitted to the Club by the member bringing the guest, and such payment shall be made to the Club on or before the opening day of the current operating season.
 - d. Guests will be permitted on the Club courts only when playing with a member.
8. Restrictions on use of courts (off-season):
 - a. Play is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - b. If others are waiting to play, play is restricted to one (1) hour.
 - c. Players may not be “bumped” from a court by those waiting to play so long as there is an open court.
9. Restrictions on use of courts (Club operating season):
 - a. All play is on open time basis.
 - b. Play is on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - c. Play is restricted to one (1) hour when players are waiting.
 - d. Persons wishing a court must place their name on the waiting list. This may only be done by the individual personally.
 - e. If an individual whose name is on the waiting list plays before his name is reached, that name will be removed from the waiting list.

- f. Those waiting to play must first use an open court rather than selectively bumping players whose playing time may have expired.
 - g. On weekends and holidays, persons who have played two (2) times on any given day (from 9 a.m. on) may not again place their names on the waiting list or play on that day unless and until everyone who is waiting and wishes to do so has played at least two (2) times.
10. Failure to comply with the foregoing rules may result in suspension of revocation of tennis privileges.
11. NO BEVERAGES OF ANY KIND, EXCEPT FOR PLAIN WATER, MAY BE BROUGHT INTO THE TENNIS COURT FENCED AREAS AT ANY TIME. THESE DRINKS, IF SPILLED, SEVERELY DAMAGE THE COURT SURFACE.

VI. ALCOHOL RULES

- The Club allows members and guests age 21 and over to “bring-your-own” alcoholic beverages to the pool during approved hours. This is intended to allow adults to drink moderately and responsibly while being sensitive to the fact that this is a family club. All members and their guests will keep in mind that this policy is a privilege and not a right; abuse of the policy may result in the immediate suspension and/or expulsion, and the possibility of banning all alcohol from the Club facilities in the future.
- 1. No glass containers may be brought into the Club at any time.
 - 2. Wine bottles, beer bottles, decanters and anything else in the sole opinion of the manager on duty that he/she considers as hazardous are strictly prohibited.
 - 3. Any broken glass must be reported to a lifeguard, attendant or manager immediately.
 - 4. Only members and guests of legal drinking age, 21 and older, are allowed to consume alcohol. Members and guests shall provide proof of age upon request of the manager or staff.
 - 5. No employee or contractor may consume alcohol while on duty.
 - 6. No alcohol may be sold on the premises by anyone.
 - 7. Consumption is permitted only after 5pm on weeknights and on weekend afternoons only in moderate amounts.
 - 8. No kegs, including mini- or pony-kegs, may be brought onto the premises.
 - 9. Alcohol consumption is prohibited during swim and dive meets.

10. Alcohol may only be consumed on the grass areas of the Club and in the Snack Bar. Alcohol may not be consumed in any of the pools, on decks, in changing rooms, in the office, in the parking lot, on the tennis courts or anywhere inside the baby pool fence.
11. Parents may not consume alcohol when directly overseeing their children swimming, with a red band in the deep end of the main pool or in any pool without a band.
12. Drinking games or anything similar that promote excessive consumption are prohibited.
13. The manager on duty, in his/her sole discretion, shall determine whether a member or guest is intoxicated.
14. Once determined to be intoxicated, such person(s) may not consume any more alcohol and other members and guests may not supply that person with alcohol.
15. Anyone that appears to be drunk, boisterous or unruly, in the sole opinion of the manager on duty, will be told to leave the premises with an appropriate designated driver.
16. Those who do not promptly leave when told to do so will be considered as trespassing.
17. The Board has authorized the Staff to have the Police remove individuals from the Club if they fail to promptly leave when told to do so.
18. Intoxicated members who have been asked to leave the club will receive a minimum 7-day suspension. Intoxicated guests will be barred from entering the Club for the remainder of the season.

The Club has a zero-tolerance policy for the violation of these alcohol rules. It is up to the Board to determine if a violation of the rules is severe enough to suspend or revoke the offender's membership for a period of time in the season, or for the remainder of the season. It is also the Board's discretion to determine if said member(s) will be allowed to rejoin in a subsequent year, and under what terms, based on the severity of their transgression.

Alcohol must be consumed responsibly and members and their guests assume all risks associated with consumption.