**POOL UPDATE May 27th, 2020**

**To:** All Residents

**RE:** Opening of neighborhood pool on May 30, 2020

The pool committee has developed a plan to open our pool while following the pool guidelines established by the Georgia Department of Public Health and the CDC during the Covid-19 pandemic.

For those wanting to enjoy some time at the pool this season, it is imperative we abide by the following guidelines to decrease as much risk as we can of contracting or spreading Covid-19.

We are a volunteer HOA, and will not be policing the pool for violators of the following guidelines. It is up to each individual/family to make their own decisions about whether to enter the pool premises. While we hope that these guidelines protect people from exposure from COVID-19 it is not guaranteed.

 **Per CDC recommendations: “if you or anyone in your household is**

**experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, you should stay home until the CDC’s published isolation criteria are met” and not enter the pool area.**

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/parks-rec/aquatic-venues.html

**1. Practice Social Distancing**

People who do not live together should maintain social distancing in and out of the pool. It is recommended to do so even in groups smaller than ten people. Thus, we should refrain from any games in the pool requiring us to touch, hit, tag, or push one another.

**2. Disinfect your area when you arrive and before leaving**

Protect yourself and your neighbors by cleaning the area that you used outside of the pool when you arrive and before leaving. All surfaces such as chairs and table tops must be cleaned. Residents need to supply their own cleaning supplies.

**3.** **Disinfect the bathroom before and after your family’s use**

Protect yourself and your neighbors by cleaning the bathroom when you arrive and before leaving. All surfaces such as sinks, counters and toilet should be cleaned after your family’s use. Residents need to supply their own cleaning supplies.

**4. Wipe Down Common Areas**

At the end of each shift we are asking residents to be sure to wipe down and clean common, high- touch areas. Specifically, the hand rails and ladders into pool, as well as the pool gate. Last person out should wipe down or spray the pool gate.

**5. Masks or Coverings are Recommended**

It is recommended but not required to wear a mask or covering over your nose and mouth while outside of the pool. Those wearing face coverings DO NOT wear them in the water. Cloth face coverings can be difficult to breathe through when they’re wet.

**6. Do NOT share toys, floats, goggles, snorkels, etc.**

Do not share items with others that do not live with you.

**7. In the event of Covid-19 Exposure**

Should the board be informed that a resident, who visited the pool, tests positive for Covid-19, we will need to close the pool for at least 7 days and allow for the area to be cleaned and disinfected.

**Our guidelines are put together based on guidelines published by the CDC. Please refer to the CDC published guidelines for more details.**