

## **Pool Rules & Regulations**

Pools Opening: May 11, 2019 Pools Closing: September 22, 2019

It is the responsibility of each resident to make sure the rules are being followed by themselves and other community members. Each adult community member is empowered to respectfully ask others to stop actions which violate the rules listed below. You may also report violations to Omega Association Management, Inc. by calling (919) 461-0102 and/or call the Apex Police Department non-emergency number at (919) 362-8661. However, please do not hesitate to call 911 if you witness suspicious, abusive, threatening, or dangerous behavior.

- 1. Glass containers are not permitted; paper, plastic and cans only. In the past, lifeguards have been cut due to broken glass in the pool area. This will not be tolerated.
- 2. The pools and clubhouse facility are open to Bella Casa residents in good standing and their accompanied guests. *Residents may have up to 2 nonresident guests per household at one time.*
- 3. The pools must close at dusk per health department regulations. See each pool's hours for swim time availability.
- 4. Early Bird Swim Periods: All residents use the pool at their own risk during early bird lap swimming periods between dawn and 8:00 AM at Evans Road Pool ONLY. Should you wish to swim laps before the pool opens to the membership, please complete, sign and submit the Early Bird Lap Swim Agreement.
- 5. Any homeowner and/or guest removed from the pool before or after hours with the assistance of the Apex Police Department may be subject to a \$100 fine and will lose access to the pool for the remainder of the pool season. Anyone using the facilities while closed will be considered trespassing and may be prosecuted.
- 6. ADULT SUPERVISION is REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES WHEN USING THE SLIDE, especially of non-swimmers. Persons climbing the ladder must hold onto the handrails at all times.
- 7. Close all gates behind you and do not prop them open. Do not open pool gates to let in unsupervised individuals. Gate access will be monitored during the 2019 season.
- 8. Wake County and NC State codes require children 14 and under must be supervised by an adult resident or their proxy at all times. All non-swimmers need to be supervised and attended by at all times capable swimmers acting as guardians.
- 9. Residents are responsible for informing their guests of the pool rules.
- 10. Shower before entering the pool.
- 11. Persons with open sores or wounds, skin rashes or eruptions; sore or inflamed eyes, nasal or ear discharges, and other infectious or communicable diseases are not permitted in the facilities.
- 12. Swimmers must wear appropriate swim attire.
- 13. Bathing suits are required. No thongs allowed.
- 14. No cut-offs, torn t-shirts, or street clothing.
- 15. Rubber soled pool shoes are permitted.
- 16. At no time will persons wearing disposable or cloth diapers be permitted in the pool.
- 17. Infants, toddlers and other persons who are not toilet trained are required to wear swim diapers or "swimmies" covered by rubber pants and a swimsuit.



- 18. Feces in the pools (even a small amount) may cause an outbreak of e.coli. By health department codes, and for everyone's health and safety, the pool must close immediately and may require chemical treatment of up to 24 hours after such an incident. The Bella Casa Board of Directors may impose a fine for such incidents to cover the costs incurred.
- 19. Members of the Bella Casa Board of Directors, or hired personnel have the authority to ask persons to leave the pool area immediately and suspend persons from the pools for the remainder of the day or an appropriate period of time as determined by the Board in a formal hearing.
- 20. Running, pushing, acrobatics, wrestling, fighting, spitting, horseplay, unsafe or unruly behavior, or causing undue disturbances, including the use of abusive or foul language, will not be allowed or tolerated.
- 21. No wheeled vehicles (except wheelchairs and strollers) are permitted in the pool areas. This includes wheeled toys, skateboards and roller blades (wheeled coolers are acceptable).
- 22. Smoking or vaping is not permitted anywhere in the pool areas or clubhouse. Properly dispose of all smoking material before entering the pool areas.
- 23. Animals are not permitted, with the exception of certified service animals.
- 24. Chewing gum and food are not permitted in the pools, immediately beside the pools or around the pool edges.
- 25. Please be responsible and use the trash receptacles to clean up after yourself and your guests, wipe tables and place chairs where they belong.
- 26. External speakers shall not be used to play music in the pool common areas. Please be courteous to the other residents by using personal listening devices with headphones.
- 27. No diving is allowed.
- 28. No residents or guests appearing to be intoxicated or under the influence of a controlled substance will be allowed in the areas. Such a person may be asked to leave the premises if deemed necessary.
- 29. Furniture and equipment are not to be removed or placed in the pools. Chairs should remain upright at all times and umbrellas should be opened for use and then lowered when not in use.
- 30. Safety equipment is for emergency purposes only and should not be handled or removed.
- 31. The pool phones are for emergency purposes.
- 32. Only authorized persons are permitted in the pump room or allowed to be in the pool areas when the pool is closed. If a "Pool Closed" sign is posted, no entry to the pool area is permitted.
- 33. The pools will be closed at the discretion of the Life Guards or Management for inclement weather, emergency maintenance, or other necessary reasons.
- 34. Bella Casa HOA is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- 35. Any and all applicable local and state laws shall be followed. No rule in this document shall conflict with any local or state ordinance.
- 36. Large rafts, floats, tubes, pool toys or objects that could trap children underneath are not allowed in the pools.
- 37. Lap lanes are for lap swimmers only; all other swimmers must remain out of the lap lane area. Refrain from sitting on, leaning on or otherwise putting undue stress on the lap lane dividers.

## **Severe or Questionable Weather Policies:**

Thunder clouds and lightning are serious weather conditions. Being in or touching water during a lightning strike could act as a natural conductor of electricity, possibly resulting in death.

- The pools will be cleared for thirty (30) minutes after the last sound of thunder and the pools and pool
  decks will be cleared for thirty (30) minutes after the last sighting of lightning. The pools and pool decks
  may be reopened at the direction of the lifeguards.
- 2. It is the responsibility of residents to comply with and enforce these rules.