**Community Center Rules and Regulations**

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1. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**General Facility Rules and Regulations**

* + - The following rules and regulations have been established by Safari Island Community Center to ensure the fair and consistent treatment of all members and guests. Questions about policies should be directed to Safari Island Community Center staff. It is each member’s responsibility to read and understand all general and area-specific Safari Island Community Center rules and regulations. Rules and Regulations are subject to change and are available on the website at

[www.safariislandcommunity](http://www.safariislandcommunity)center.com/membership.

**Membership Cards**

* Membership cards are required for all Members 10 years of age and older to access Safari Island Community Center.

 **Children Less Than Nine Years Old**

* Due to safety and security reasons, children-less than ten years old must be directly supervised by a responsible party other than Safari Island Community Center staff. Childcare services are available during select times. Parents and guardians who permit their children to remain at Safari Island Community Center recreation facilities without appropriate supervision assume and bear full responsibility for all risks of harm to their children, and all damage caused by their children.

**Parking**

* Members and guests should park in designated areas only. Safari Island Community Center does not permit overnight parking at any of its facilities. Violators may be issued citations by local law enforcement and are subject to towing.

**Outside Use**

* All instruction on Safari Island Community Center property must be conducted by Safari Island Community Center employees and contractors only. All other instruction, reimbursed or otherwise, is strictly prohibited. This policy refers to all services offered by Safari Island Community Center. Examples include, but are not limited to, personal training, private swim lessons, and individualized coaching.

**FACILITY INFORMATION**

**Entry and Exit**

* Except in case of an emergency, members/guests must always enter and exit the recreation centers through the main entrance doorway. Safari Island Community Center will make reasonable accommodations upon request.
* Anyone entering through others doors or caught allowing people in through other doors will be asked to leave immediately and membership may be revoked.

**Hours**

* Please refer to [www.safariislandcommunitycenter.com](http://www.safariislandcommunitycenter.comf) for current hours.

**Animals**

* With the exception of trained service animals, animals are not allowed on Safari Island Community Center property. Exceptions may be made for Special Events which include animals and have received prior approval.

**Lost and Found**

* The Safari Island Community Center is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Information concerning lost articles cannot be provided over the phone. All lost articles must be picked up in person. Valuable articles may be picked up from the Supervisor on Duty at the Community Center. Unclaimed articles are donated periodically to a local charity.

**Lockers**

* Lockers are for day use only. Locks remaining at the end of each day may be cut off with the contents placed in lost and found. Members are encouraged to use their own locks. Rental locks are also available at the front desk. Please report suspicious individuals or activity immediately. Personal use of cell phones, cameras, and devices that capture pictures or video is prohibited while in the locker rooms, restrooms, or in the family changing rooms.

**Photos and Videos**

* Members and guests are welcome to take pictures and video of their family and guests only. Photography is prohibited in locker rooms, family changing rooms, and restrooms.
* By enrolling or participating in any program, recreation activity, or event, members and their guests agree that the Safari Island Community Center or any sponsor may subsequently use photos of them for publicity and/or promotional materials such as web sites, posters, or other merchandise. Photos of participants may be used without further obligation or liability.

**Video Surveillance**

* Safari Island Community Center has surveillance cameras throughout the facility for the purpose of crime prevention, detection, and prosecution of offenders. Individuals using the Safari Island Community Center should not rely upon these cameras for safety purposes. The cameras are used for recording purposes only and are not monitored in real time. Individuals using the Safari Island Community Center should take reasonable precautions to protect their person and property.
1. **CODE OF CONDUCT**

**Conduct**

* Members are expected to behave in a civil and orderly fashion while using the Community Center. Please treat all members, guests and staff with respect.
* Disorderly conduct will result in immediate disciplinary action. Such discipline may include but is not limited to: Facility ejection and/or suspension. If it is necessary to contact law enforcement authorities, a minimum suspension of 30 days from Safari Island Community Center is mandatory. Disciplinary action may result in various forms of suspension and loss of privileges depending on the circumstances.

**Disorderly Conduct may include, but is not limited to the following:**

* Threatening, profane, indecent, coercive or disrespectful actions, gestures, words or language to staff or fellow Members.
* Fighting (verbal or physical), scuffling or horseplay within Safari Island Community Center facility.
* Illegal drugs, marijuana, or smoking (including electronic cigarettes or vapor devices) on Safari Island Community Center property.
* Possession of a weapon in Safari Island Community Center is prohibited unless by an on-duty law enforcement officer or persons providing security to Safari Island Community Center.
* Unacceptable loitering on Safari Island Community Center property.
* Failure to obey any directive given by a Safari Island Community Center employee in accordance with the rules and regulations.
* Theft or attempt to remove equipment or items belonging to the Safari Island Community Center, members, or guests.
* Attire that is inappropriate for family and community standards. This may include, but is not limited to, profanity on clothing, inappropriate messages/ language and/ or illegal activities.
* Damage or vandalism to equipment or facility.
* Failure to obey posted safety rules.
* Committing illegal or criminal acts in violation of state, local, or federal laws or regulations.
* Actions or activities that annoy, inconvenience, or endanger the well-being of persons and/or property.
1. **SPECIFIC AREAS**

The following is information and rules/regulations for specific areas.

**Aquatics – Pools**

* Showers are recommended before entering a pool or hot tub.
* Community and family appropriate swim attire is required. No cut-offs/shorts allowed.
* Children 6 and younger must be supervised by someone 16+ in the water and within close proximity at all times.
* Swim Diapers are required for anyone who is not toilet trained.
* Lap Swimmers must be considerate, courteous, alert, and willing to share lap lanes.
* All pools will be cleared for periodic safety checks, and lifeguard rotation.
* Lifeguard’s decisions are final, including ejection from the pool area.
* Please immediately report any problems and/or injuries to a lifeguard.
* Life Jackets are available for day use. Please see a lifeguard for assistance.
* To prevent accidents and maximize safety the following activities are prohibited:
* Running on the pool deck.
* Standing or sitting on the shoulders of another participant.
* Hanging on the safety ropes or lap pool lane lines.
* Glass bottles.
* No hanging on the pool basketball hoop or backboard.
* Twists, back jumps, and somersaults from the pool side.
* Squirt guns that resemble any type of gun or weapon (regardless of size).
* Do not sit on or block the water fountains in the recreation pool.
* No standing or jumping on the kickboards.

**Hot Tubs**

* Must be 15 years old or older to use the hot tub.
* When using hot tubs, common sense and moderate use are recommended.

**Batting Cages**

* Based on manufacturer’s recommendations, only batters 6 years of age and older may use the cages. An adult must accompany all batting cage players under the age of 10.
* A fee is charged to use the batting cages.
* Team and individual reservations are available.
* The pitching machines may pitch balls inside and outside of the strike zone.
* Please be alert at all times.
* Batters must wear closed toe shoes.
* Users assume the inherent risks of batting baseballs and softballs. If users have any question about the use of this device or the inherent risks associated with the use of this device, please ask the front desk before using the batting cages. Safari Island Community Center is not liable for any resulting injury.

**Weight Areas**

* Must be 15 years old to exercise alone in the weight room.
* Children 15 years and younger are not allowed to use the exercise equipment.
* Children 15 years and younger are not allowed to sit in the room and do other activities including playing on electronic devices, watch TV, etc. while parent works out.
* Children 13 and 14 years old may use the weight room with parental supervision after completing a youth orientation. Please see the front desk for more details.
* Please do not rest on machines between sets. Be considerate and allow other members to work in.
* Please limit conversations on cell phones while in the weight room.
* Prior to using equipment, read the warning labels and instructions affixed to each machine.
* Return all weight equipment to the proper location when finished.
* Do not slam or drop weights.
* Please wipe off all equipment with wipes.
* Immediately report to Safari Island Community Center staff any piece of equipment that is not functioning properly, so it can be evaluated and serviced promptly. Do not attempt to use or fix any piece of equipment that is not functioning properly.
* Appropriate gym attire and closed toe shoes are required. Any member wearing attire deemed inappropriate by Safari Island Community Center staff will be asked to change or leave the facility.
* If you feel pain, faint, discomfort and/or dizziness, discontinue exercising immediately and notify Safari Island Community Center staff.

**Childcare**

* Safari Island Community Center offers childcare services for children whose parents/guardians are utilizing the facility or participating in a class / activity offered at the community center.
* Parents must remain in the building at all times while their children are in the Childcare.
* Members may use the services for a maximum of two hours at any one time.
* Safari Island Community Center Childcare are allergy aware and parents are asked to be considerate of others who may have peanut allergies. However, the community center is a multi-use facility and there is no guarantee of a peanut free environment.
* For the health of all children and childcare attendants, we ask that sick children not be brought to the nursery. Other arrangements must be made for a child that has a yellow or green nasal discharge, fever, rash, cough, diarrhea, or is vomiting.
* The childcare has a fifteen-minute limit to allow a child to become acquainted with the childcare environment. The parent will be called to the childcare in the event that a child cries for fifteen minutes or more or is being disruptive.
* If a child needs to go to the bathroom or needs a diaper changed, staff will notify parents who are responsible for taking their child to the bathroom or changing their diaper.
* As a safety measure, please make sure to close the door when entering and exiting the nursery.
* To better accommodate the parents using the childcare, we use an ID/sign-in system. A child will not be released until we have seen proper identification.
* Safari Island Community Center is not responsible for personal items left in childcare.
* The Childcare staff is required to maintain a safe, calm, and fun environment for every child. Unruly or disruptive children negatively impact Childcare. Behavior that is deemed disruptive includes, but is not limited to, biting, hitting, bullying, and inappropriate language. All incidents will be communicated to the parents and evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Repeat offenses may lead to loss of childcare privileges.

**Track**

* The Track is available to all Members 10 years of age and older. Horseplay is strictly forbidden. To maintain safety and reduce the risk of injury, members 9 years of age and younger must be directly accompanied and supervised by an adult. All posted rules must be followed.
* Individual walkers must walk single file on the inside lanes allowing adequate room for others to pass on the outside lanes. Walkers should position themselves on the inside lanes and joggers/runners on the outside two lanes. Joggers have the right-of-way.
* The track is not a viewing or spectator area for the gymnasium.
* Running direction is patterned to help reduce leg stress associated with running tight turns.
* Please do not spit on floors or walls.
* Strollers are permitted on the running track (wheels must be clean).

• Appropriate gym attire, shirts and shoes are required.

**Open Gym**

* Children under 10-years-old must be with a responsible person who is 16+ with direct supervision.
* Check the monthly gym schedules for specific times and locations.
* Teams and related coaches are prohibited unless reserving gym space for your team.
* Fighting and/or intent to injure other participants may result in immediate ejection and /or suspension.
* Dunking or hanging on rims/nets is prohibited.
* No shooting at an excessive length (1/2 court to full court).
1. **ENFORCEMENT OF RULES**
* For the benefit and safety of all members, the Safari Island Community Center Staff is required to enforce the rules and regulations outlined in this document.
* In the event of disruptive behavior, staff will request any party to cease said conduct. If the offending party fails to cease said conduct after such request, the supervisor/manager is authorized to eject the party from the facility and use all reasonable means that he or she deems necessary to end such conduct, including but not limited to, having the offending party removed from the facility by the police and barred from further activity.
* All suspensions will be reviewed by the General Manager and be issued on a case-by-case basis.
1. **LIABILITY**
* Neither the Safari Island Community Center nor its representatives accept any responsibility for ill health or injury sustained while participating in any of the programs or activities, or by using Safari Island Community Center. Participation is on a voluntary basis.
* There is a risk of injury or harm to those that participate. Each participant assumes all risk of harm or injury resulting in such activity by participant.
* If an injury does occur, it should be reported to the Shift Lead on Duty immediately.
1. **SUMMARY**
* All Facilities are designed for safe and enjoyable recreation. Violations of the above stated rules are taken seriously and may result in the loss of community center privileges.