

# FAIRLINGTON MEWS RECREATION RULES (Pool Rules and Tennis Rules)

## I. Fairlington Mews Pool Rules 2011 Season

**Pool Management:** The Mews has hired Curl Swimming Services Inc. to manage the Fairlington Mews Pool for the 2011 season. Curl is responsible for the maintenance, cleanliness, and safety of the pool area. Its employees are in charge at all times and are responsible for the enforcement of these rules and regulations. At least one employee who holds an Arlington County swimming pool operator's license will be on duty during operating hours.

**Pool Hours:** The season runs from Saturday, May 28, through Sunday, September 18.

### **Holiday Weekends (Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and Labor Day)**

Saturday and Sunday: 10AM to 10PM  
Monday: 10AM to 9PM

### **Tuesday, May 31, to last day of school (Arlington County schedule)**

The pool will be open Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Fridays - Sundays during the weeks until school ends.

Wednesday and Thursday: 5PM to 8PM  
Friday: Noon to 9PM  
Saturday: 10AM to 10PM  
Sunday: 11AM to 8PM  
Friday, June 24 (last day of school): 1:30PM to 9PM

### **Saturday, June 25, to Labor Day Weekend**

Monday - Friday: Noon to 9PM  
Saturday: 10AM to 10PM  
Sunday: 11AM to 8PM

### **Post-Labor Day Weekends (September 10 and 17)**

Saturday: Noon to 9PM  
Sunday: Noon to 7PM

**Hours of use for Tennis Courts are 10AM to Dusk.**

### **Recreation Committee**

Shannon Watson, Chairman, (703) 931-7938, [shannon\\_watson@hotmail.com](mailto:shannon_watson@hotmail.com)

<http://www.fairlington.org/MewsRecreationPage.htm>

Committee Members: Kim and Tom McGuire, Nancy O'Brien, and Renee Powlette (Board Liaison).

### **Community Manager**

Jason Eglin, Community Management Corporation, (703) 631-7200, x 8579

### **Pool Management Company**

Mike Winn, Manager, Curl Swimming Services, Inc., (571) 244-7584

## Recreation Passes

All users must show their Mews Recreation Pass and sign in with the lifeguard on duty.

- Residents are entitled to one Recreation Pass per household plus Passes for children 12 yrs. of age – at the request of parents.
- Lost or stolen passes should be reported to the Recreation Committee.
- Recreation Passes will not be issued to any unit (renters and owners alike) which owes any money to the Condominium. Debts must be handled through Community Management Corporation, the Mews' management company. Once debts are paid, a Recreation Pass will be issued.
- Applications for a Recreation Pass may be obtained from the Recreation Committee, from the community manager (Community Management) or at the pool.
- The passes are permanent and a \$5 fee will be assessed for lost or stolen cards.

## Lifeguards

- Two licensed and qualified lifeguards should be on duty whenever the pool is open, **except during adult priority swim time, 8:00 to close each evening, when one lifeguard will suffice.**
- The lifeguards' major responsibilities shall be guarding, monitoring pool admittance, and enforcing the rules and regulations.
- Proper respect and cooperation is due to the lifeguards who are to provide for the safe and orderly operation of the pool.
- Lifeguards shall not serve as babysitters and shall not provide private services to individual residents while on duty.
- Lifeguards are not responsible for supervising the wading pool.

## Guests

- Guests of Mews residents are welcome at the pool at no charge. **Discretion is encouraged**, however, particularly at peak usage times. The pool manager or lifeguards may, at their discretion, restrict or suspend guest privileges to prevent overcrowding.
- *Guests must be accompanied by the resident with a Pass.* **UNACCOMPANIED GUESTS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED.** Requests for exceptions to this rule (for example, temporary house guests or house-sitters) should be addressed to the Recreation Committee two weeks (14 days) in advance for receipt of **Temporary Guest** pass. Regular application procedures must be followed.
- **Guests are subject to the same rules and regulations that apply to residents.** Guest conduct is the host's responsibility at all times.

## Children

- **Lifeguards are not baby-sitters.** Parents are responsible for their children at all times.
- **Children under the age of 12 who have not passed a swim test may not play in the deep end.**
- Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent or approved care-giver 16 years of age or older. However, residents' children aged 8 to 12 may come to the pool alone provided **they have passed a swimming test approved by the lifeguard and written parental permission.** Permission forms will be available from the lifeguards. Once these criteria have been met, a unique Pool Pass will be given to the child. *Parents must accept full responsibility for their children at all times.*
- Guests of children: Mews residents' children aged 8 to 12 who have passed a swimming test approved by the lifeguard and have written parental permission to come to the pool unaccompanied (as outlined in the bulleted item directly above) may bring an unaccompanied guest **provided that the guest child has passed the swimming test and has written permission from her or his own parents.**
- Children not toilet trained must wear a diaper covered by snug waterproof (plastic) pants in either pool at all times.
- The wading pool is only for the use of children who have not yet entered the first grade. Lifeguards do not monitor the wading pool.
- Children who cannot swim must be under the close supervision of a parent or approved care-giver.

- The last ten minutes of each hour will be reserved for adult swim. Children will need to leave the large pool at this time. However, 5-7 pm weeknights will be Family "Happy Hour" at the pool and the ten minute adult swim rule will not apply.

### **Food**

- Food is permitted inside the pool enclosure *on the grassy area only*. If people do not pick up after themselves, this privilege will be revoked.
- **Alcohol and glass drink containers are prohibited.**
- Lifeguards may eat regular meals at their station.

### **Health**

- Swimmers are encouraged to take showers before entering the pool. It is especially important to remove suntan lotion and oils which cause the pool to become murky on hot days.
- Appropriate attire must be worn when swimming.
- Persons with skin infections, open wounds, communicable diseases, and nasal or ear or eye discharges are not permitted in the pool.
- Spitting, spouting of water, blowing one's nose, and chewing gum are not permitted while in the pool.
- No smoking permitted within the pool enclosure.
- All injuries occurring on the premises must be reported immediately to the pool manager.
- If it becomes necessary to call for medical help, any charges will be the responsibility of the individual concerned. Residents will be responsible for themselves, their children, guests, and care-givers.

### **Safety**

- Game playing and the use of any flotation devices shall be at the discretion of the lifeguards.
- Any child wearing a flotation device must be accompanied in the water and be within arms' length of parent or guardian.
- **Running, pushing, wrestling, acrobatics, and roughhousing in and around the pool area are strictly forbidden.**
- Ball playing on the pool deck, inflatable beach balls or sponge balls in the pool, are allowed during uncrowded conditions at the discretion of the lifeguard.
- Diving is permitted only in the deep end.
- No tricycles, bicycles, big wheels, wagons, scooters, skateboards, or other riding toys or devices are allowed in the pool enclosure.
- Socializing with or distracting the lifeguards on duty is prohibited.
- Pets of any kind are not allowed in the pool enclosure.
- The presence of intoxicated persons anywhere within the pool premises is prohibited.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Radios may be played with earphones. Lifeguards may listen to a radio as long as it does not interfere with the performance of their duties or disturb others.
- Chairs may not be reserved for persons who leave or who are expected to arrive later. Chairs should be covered with towels, especially when using suntan lotion and oils, to prevent discoloration of the plastic webbing.
- Repair and/or replacement costs for any pool property damaged will be charged to the appropriate resident. Residents are responsible for themselves, their children, guests, and care-givers.
- Consideration should be given to lap swimmers when the pool is not crowded.
- The Board of Directors, the Recreation Committee, the pool management and its employees shall not be responsible for personal articles brought into the pool enclosure.

## Enforcement

- Proper respect and cooperation is to be shown to the pool employees who will take necessary action for the safe and orderly operation of the pool facilities.
- The head lifeguard on duty has the authority to suspend pool privileges for the day as necessary. If the offender has repeated suspensions, the Recreation Committee will be notified for further action.
- A request for additional suspension must be made in writing to the Recreation Committee and the management agent and approved by the Board of Directors.
- Unauthorized entry into the pool enclosure when the pool is not open shall be grounds for suspension.
- Enforcement authority for these rules and regulations derives from the Fairlington Mews By-Laws of the Master Deed.

## Parties

- For scheduling purposes, people wishing to schedule a pool party must submit **a written request to the Recreation Committee two weeks (14 days) in advance.**
- Parties are defined as 6 to 15 guests, unless prior arrangements have been made to hire additional lifeguards **(at party-giver's expense).** **For 1-5 guests, no reservation is required.**
- No loud music from any source is allowed during the party.
- Food is allowed in the grassy area only, no glass containers allowed anywhere within the pool area.
- Parties are limited to two hours in duration.
- No pool parties of more than 12 guests on weekends in July.
- Mews residents must supervise their guests at all times to ensure appropriate conduct in the pool enclosure. In the case of parties with children, one adult chaperone must be present for every 3-4 children. Groups that do not provide adequate chaperonage may be asked to leave the pool.

# II. Fairlington Mews Tennis Rules 2011 Season

**LOCATION:** The Fairlington Mews single tennis court is by the pool and the double courts are located on 36th Street, near the intersection of 34th Street.

**USE:** With the exception of the four-square painted on the double courts, the courts are for *tennis only* and are for the *sole* use of Fairlington Mews residents and their guests. The double courts have a backboard for the use of residents who want to improve their tennis skills. The courts have a combination lock available to Mews residents.

**\*\*Other non-tennis activities are NOT permitted.\*\***

**RECREATION PASSES:** All residents *must* display a current Fairlington Mews Recreation Pass at either court. Players who do not post their cards may be asked to leave by a member of the Fairlington Mews Board of Directors, the Recreation Committee, or another resident with a valid Recreation Pass.

**RESERVATIONS:** Since the reservation sheets have not been used extensively in the past, reservation sheets will not be posted unless increased usage requires a change. Instead, the following rules of courtesy will apply:

- ! Upon arrival at the court, players should post their Recreation Pass, ensuring one (1) hour of time for singles and one and one-half (1½) hours of time for doubles.
- At the conclusion of this time period, players must relinquish the court if people are waiting.

**GENERAL RULES:**

1. Only adults and those 14 years of age and older may reserve courts during prime time (defined as evenings and weekends).
2. All those under 14 years of age *must* yield the court on request during prime time hours.
3. Backboard users must relinquish the court to adults wishing to play tennis.
4. Players must wear tennis shoes on the courts.
5. Normal tennis etiquette is expected from players and spectators. No one shall cross a court behind a player while play is in progress. The level of conversation should not distract other players or bother neighbors.
6. Residents may use the four-square only when the double courts are not being used for tennis. If players wish to use these courts, those using the four-square must leave. Parents are responsible for seeing that their children abide by these rules. Use of the four-square is on a trial basis, and may be revoked if conflicts or misuse arise.
7. Players must **LOCK THE GATES** and **REMOVE ALL TRASH** (cups, tennis cans, tennis balls, etc.) when leaving the court.

*Requests for exceptions to any of these rules should be addressed in writing to the Recreation Committee.*

*The Recreation Committee reserves the right to modify these pool rules with Board approval.*

(Updated 4/21/10)