

FURMAN AQUATIC CENTER

The following Policy, Procedures and Rules are enforced for the SAFETY and ENJOYMENT of all PATRONS

General Policies:

- No squirt guns, Orbeez guns, water shooters, nerf guns, or toy guns. You will be asked to remove them immediately and/or confiscated.
- No gum within the facility.
- All persons entering through the gates must pay admission and/or have a pass to enter.
- Everyone MUST be treated with respect and dignity. No offensive language or gestures.
- Supervision of children: Six (6) and under must be actively always supervised by an adult (16 and above) in the water.
- Supervision of children: Seven (7), eight (8), and nine (9) year olds must be accompanied by an adult (16 and above) at the facility.
- Children 10 years and older can be in the facility without an adult present.
- Age is defined as: Youth 1-15 Years, Adult 16-61 Years, Senior 62+ Years.
- No Refunds. We are unable to offer any cash/credit card refund once you have paid to enter the facility.
- No Glass. As part of our no glass policy for the pool and surrounding deck area, we do not allow cell phones or other items with glass in the water. This includes items in a protective case. Goggles with tempered glass and/or full-face masks are banned. This includes casserole dishes for birthday parties.
- No pool noodles or kickboards unless for therapeutic uses. Please see admissions attendant at gate for approval.
- No hard balls, such as footballs, basketballs, volleyballs, rubber playground balls, etc.
- No rafts, inflatables, mats, etc.
- Everyone must walk on the deck.
- No diving into shallow water.
- Rough play in or around the pool is not allowed.
- Outside food and beverages are not permitted, except for:
 1. Bottled water.
 2. During Tot Time, snacks are permitted but must be eaten in the concession area.
 3. Glass containers are not permitted under any circumstances.
- Swimsuits must be worn. Street clothing is not allowed in the water. Modesty, tight fitting swimwear is permitted.
- Everyone must be respectful.
- Facility (including parking lot) is alcohol and tobacco free. E-cigarettes are not allowed.
- Shower before entering the pool.
- Swim diapers are required for all patrons that are inconsistent or bowel control concerns.
- Change diapers in a locker room or family changing room at designated stations and not poolside.
- No pets allowed within the pool enclosure. Service animals are allowed inside the facility; service animals are not allowed in the swimming pool for public health reasons.
- Mermaid tails or mono-fins restricting the independent movement of legs are prohibited.
- Lockers are available for \$0.50 per use. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- **Pool rules will be amended when deemed advisable for the protection of health, safety, and enjoyment of all patrons.**

Lazy River:

- **Single Tubes:** One rider must be a minimum of 48 inches tall or have passed the deep-water test.
- **Double Tubes:** One rider per hole
 1. Both riders must be a minimum of 48 inches tall or have passed the deep-water test
 2. A child under 48" that has not passed the deep-water test must always ride with an adult (16 and above).
Except for a parent with two children, the parent can walk alongside the tube with their hands on the tube and the children both in the tube.
- **Double Tubes with a Front Floor:** May be used by small children (3 and under) with an adult (16 or above)
- Riders that cannot touch the bottom of the Lazy River must remain seated in their tube.
- Riders that can touch the bottom of the Lazy River, can ride with their arms over the side of the tube. Both arms on top of the tube.
- Riders are not to get out of their tube, walk with their tube, etc.
- Riders are not to rock tubes from side to side or back-to-back.
- Riders are not to hold onto the wall or push through another group of tubes.
- In the event of a waiting line, riders will be limited to one lap and then go back in line to go around again.
- Tubes cannot be taken back to seating areas – they must be returned to the tube shack.

Dual Tube Slide:

- Children must be at least 48 inches tall, even when accompanied by an adult.
- Single and/or Double Tubes without the floor only
- Children must be 48-inches tall.
- One person per hole (for safety reasons, the larger person must occupy the back hole)
- Must always remain seated.
- To protect the slide, swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles or metal are not allowed.
- Goggles must be placed around the wrist.... not worn on the head or neck. Sunglasses and glasses may not be worn down the slides.

Splash Pool and Play Features:

- **Swimming Area:** For children twelve (12) and under with parent / guardian actively supervising.
- **Play Structure:** For children seven (7) and under with parent / guardian actively supervising.
- **Beaver Slide:** For youth four (4) and under with parent / guardian within arm's reach
- **Geyser Bubbler Field:** For children twelve (12) and under with their parent / guardian. No sitting on the bubblers.
- **Dump Bucket:** For all ages...as long as no one is aggressive (pushing, shoving, etc)
- **Small Flotation Devices:** May be used provided parent / guardian is always within arm's reach.
- Swim Diapers are always required for children not potty trained. Swim diapers are sold at the concession stand if needed.

Splash Pool - Youth Slide:

- For children 12 years old and younger
- Children must be at least 36 inches tall.
- Two (2) children maximum at one time, going down the slide side-by-side, no hand holding.
- Ride feet first, laying on the back, or sitting up.
- To protect the slide, swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles or metal are not allowed.
- Goggles and masks are allowed and life jackets and puddle jumpers, water wings.
- Parents / guardians may catch their children at the end of the slide.

50 Meter:

- Children (12 and under) must pass a deep-water test before entering the 13-foot area (diving boards /drop slides).
- The lap swim lanes are reserved for deep-water testing, adult water walking/exercise, and lap swimming. Those swimming laps must have a deep-water test band if under the age of 12 years.
- Starting in the water at the wall, swim front crawl ½ way short course, tread for 30-seconds, swim front crawl back to the wall, without touching bottom, wall, etc., no goggles are allowed.
- A Coast Guard approved life vest may be used in the middle section provided a parent/guardian is always within arm's reach. Water wings and all other floatation devices are not allowed. Exceptions for disabilities with assistance.
- Rough play is not allowed (dunking someone, riding on shoulders, throwing people, holding anyone under water)
- During public swim hours: Three lane lines are dedicated for lap swimming only and the other lane for giving deep water tests or for lap swimming when tests are not occurring. Deep water tests are conducted in the lane closest to the wall.

Red Drop Slide:

- Riders must be at least 48 inches tall and, if 12 or under, must have passed the deep-water test.
- Everyone must be a strong swimmer (because of the depth; they will go under the water)
- Ride feet first, on back, arms crossed on chest.
- To protect the slide, swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles or metal are not allowed.
- Goggles or masks may not be worn on the head or neck.... can be placed on the wrist. Sunglasses and glasses may not be worn down the slides.

1 Meter Diving Board and 3 Meter Platform:

- Children (12 and under) must pass the deep-water test before using the diving board/platform.
- One person at a time – must wait on the pool deck until the person has gone off the diving board. No waiting on the steps.
- One person on the platform at a time. Only one person on the platform at a time. No one is to be waiting on the steps.
- No running from behind the Yellow line.
- One bounce – no cartwheels, handstands, no gainers or inverted dives, or back flips
- Go straight off the board and exit the water immediately (board to the left, platform to the right)
- Goggles or masks may not be worn on the head or neck but can be placed on the wrist.

Basketball Hoops...for Personal Safety:

- Touching, hanging etc. on the backboard, rim, net is not allowed.
- Shooting the ball from the deck or throwing the ball to a person in the water is not allowed. No playing from deck.
- Jumping from the deck to shoot the ball is not allowed.
- Horseplay (dunking someone, holding them under the water, etc.) is not allowed.
- In the event of a waiting line, play is limited to 20 minutes.
- No dribbling of ball on deck.

Locker Rooms:

- Children 6 years of age and older should use the appropriate locker room. A family changing room is available.
- For protection of your belongings, coin operated lockers are available.

Attendance:

- If attendance fails to reach 50 patrons by 2 PM, the facility will be closed until 5 PM. If, after opening at 5 PM, attendance fails to reach 50 patrons by 6 PM the facility will be closed for the day.
- If attendance is below 50 patrons between the hours of 2 and 5 PM, the facility will be closed at 5 PM
- Staff will inform all new attendees or people that call-in that the facility may close early if attendance does not reach 50 patrons by the specified times.

Weather:

- In the event of bad weather, and the facility cannot open at 11 AM or 1 PM, staff will attempt to open the facility at 5 PM. Information related to opening will be placed on the Department's "Hotline" and the Furman Aquatic Center Facebook page.
- Swimming is prohibited when lightning and/or thunder are present, including a 30-minute period after the last lightning and/ or thunder was observed by staff.
- Based on the time of day of the lighting, thunder, and size of the storm indicated by radar, the determination will be if swimmers will be asked to stay out of the water until the storm passes or close the facility for part, or the remainder of the day.
- In the case of a tornado warning, the facility will be closed.
- In the case of a tornado watch, the facility may be closed.
- In the case of rain, which prohibits vision of the bottom of the pool, the affected pool will be closed.

Rocks:

- No playing on any landscaping rocks. No going behind the waterfall feature by the lazy river. No behind the rocks on the hill area. No going behind the retaining wall.

During Lap Swim:

- Swim or walk in one direction.
- If there are two people in the lane, you can swim on one side of the lane line at the bottom of the pool.
- If there are three or more in a lane, then circle swimming is recommended.
- The A-frame sign (Slow Lane) is designated walking and/or people swimming slowly.

Note: These rules are designed to keep you and others safe. This is a family friendly facility. Failure to follow these rules and/or respect the staff and/or other patrons, can and will result in denial of admission which could include No Trespass Order.