

Geographe Leisure Centre

Aquatics Conditions of Entry

By entering Aquatics each patron agrees to the Centres conditions of entry and all health and safety requirements. Failure to comply with these conditions of entry will result in the individual or group being refused entry into the Centre or being asked to leave immediately.

General conditions:

- All patrons acknowledge that the purpose of the Conditions of Entry is to provide a safe and non-threatening environment for all patrons, employees and other users of the Centre and its facilities.
- All patrons acknowledge to follow the directions of the staff and signage at all times.
- Entry to the Centre may be refused at the discretion of staff.
- Language that is deemed by staff to be offensive, aggressive, disruptive or abusive will not be tolerated and offenders will be removed immediately.
- Behaviour that is deemed by staff to be unsafe e.g. breath hold training, running, acrobatics, rough play, disobeying displayed signage is not permitted within the centre.
- Changing must be done in the designated changing areas

The GLC Aquatics area follow the Watch around Water campaign which aims to raise awareness of water safety and provide knowledge on what is considered appropriate levels of pool supervision to prevent aquatic incidents.

Age Group	Supervision Requirements
Under Five (5) years	Children must be accompanied into the centre, and supervised by an appropriate parent / guardian who is prepared to swim, paid as a swimmer, physically in the water, free from distractions and within arm's reach of the child at all times. (Maximum 1 Parent / Guardian to 2 Children)
Under Twelve (12) years	Children must be accompanied into the centre, and supervised by an appropriate parent / guardian who is maintaining visual contact with the child at all times free from distractions. (Maximum 1 Parent / Guardian to 4 Children)
12 Years and older	For children twelve (12) years and older, Parents must use their knowledge of the child's swimming ability to determine the level of accompaniment required.

An appropriate parent/guardian is regarded as a responsible individual who is sixteen (16) years and over whom is following the above Supervision Requirements.

Aquatic Supervision Policies:

- All large, informal groups of children arriving at an aquatic facility may be required to participate in a brief to the entry policies and may be refused entry due to ratios.
- If a staff member is concerned for the safety of an unsupervised child, they have the ability to remove the child from the water.
- An unsupervised child of poor swimming ability regardless of age will be removed from the water by a staff member.
- Children over 5 must use respective changing rooms and be accompanied by guardians at all times.

The supervision of children in Aquatic facilities is not the sole responsibility of Lifeguards, Lifeguards are on a 1:100 ratio; this is based on the expectation that parents will provide direct supervision of children.

Approved Swimwear and hygiene:

- Appropriate swimwear (fit for purpose) is to be worn in the water, outdoor clothing is not permitted.
- Please ensure outdoor footwear is clean when entering the facility
- Recognised waterproof aqua nappies plus a swimming costume for infants are to be worn in the water.
- Recognised waterproof nappies are required for all non-toilet trained children/adults when using the pools.
- For hygiene purposes the use of provided rinse showers are compulsory prior to swimming.

Smoking, Alcohol and other Substances:

- The Centre is a non-smoking environment and smoking in all areas of the Centre is not permitted.
- Alcohol is only permitted within the Centre under certain conditions with written permission from the Centres Management.
- Any persons noticed to be under the influence of alcohol or other substances will be removed from the Centre.

Photography or video recording:

- The use of cameras or filming devices is strictly prohibited in any GLC changing areas, permission must be given by the duty supervisor prior to any photographs and or recordings being taken with the centre.

People who require care:

- Carers must remain with and appropriately look after the person/persons they are caring for as necessary. Any pre discussed plans with management must be enforced and followed at all times whilst using the Centre.

No glass, sharp objects or food in or around the pool:

- Glass, sharps or any other object that are not required for constructive use within the Centre are not permitted within the Centre.
- If any non-permitted items are noticed by staff, they may be placed at reception for you to collect after using the Centre.
- Patrons are not permitted to have food within 2 meters of any body of water.

Bikes, Scooters, Skateboards, Rollerblades:

- None of the above are to be brought into the centre or left in the foyer. Bike racks are available outside the front entrance should you need to secure any of the above.

Animals:

- Exceptions have been made for recognised guidance animals to assist a person within the aquatic facility to alleviate the effect of a disability the person has. However, these animals are not permitted entry to any body of water. All other non-recognised animals are not permitted entry due to the associated health risks.



To ensure everyone has an enjoyable visit, please respect staff and your fellow patrons. We appreciate your cooperation