

Mineral Point Parks & Recreation Department

Public Pool Wellness Initiatives

We continue to monitor the recommendations from the CDC and follow the guidelines set by the State of Wisconsin, Iowa County, and the City of Mineral Point Council. The information continues to be fluid with frequent changes. What you see below now, likely won't be the same during your visit. But we are committed to this evolving process.

We want you to have confidence in your time with us to focus on the family memories instead of the worry. We feel it's important to give you as much information as possible about the things we are doing to ensure your safety.

WELLNESS INITIATIVES:

- We ask that all guests respect a proper physical distance staying 6-feet from anyone not in your group.
- Customer capacity will be reduced to 100 and patrons will be denied entry once the maximum capacity for safe social distancing has been reached.
- Stickers/arrows on the floor will be used to direct customer traffic patterns to minimize interactions and maintain a 6-foot distance within and outside the pool area.
- We will provide sanitizer for proper hand hygiene for employees and customers.
- Sanitizer stations will be located within the facility.
- Signage will be hung, reinforcing proper hygiene.
- Cash-free methods of payment available and encouraged.
- We will be using Hospital-grade disinfectant when sanitizing.
- Our Head Lifeguard will be implementing and communicate safety initiatives and monitor our new health standards.
- We are considering all recommendations provided by the CDC and U.S. public health officials. If masks are required to be worn, we will be ready if mandated. If sneeze-guards become necessary, we will add. We will take all steps necessary in order to safely operate.
- Common-area cleaners will wear gloves.

- Continued deep-cleaning of high touch point surfaces and document all cleaning procedures and products.
- Only one designated entrance way and exist way will be permitted into and out of the pool.
- All interior doors that are able, will be propped open. When doors can't be propped open, sanitation wipes will be readily available.
- We will provide adequate trash receptacles and increase removal frequency to accommodate all customer's needs.
- No shared equipment will be used at any time.
- Bathroom/Showers will be cleaned on a regular basis.

PATRON SERVICE WELLNESS INITIATIVES

- All touch point areas will be sanitized after each transaction.
- We ask that only one family member checks in at the front desk.
- The CDC states, "There is no evidence that COVID-19 can be spread to humans through the use of pools and hot tubs. Proper operation, maintenance, and disinfection (e.g., with chlorine and bromine) of pools and hot tubs should remove or inactivate the virus that causes COVID-19"
- EPA approved chemicals are used and safety protocols meet or exceed industry standards.
- Loungers and Picnic Tables will be removed to limit touch points so patrons need to bring their own.
- We will be offering alternative times for at-risk populations.
- Programmed events including Water Aerobics and Swim Team should be limited to 10 persons in any given space/time frame and expanded to 50 in Phase 2 of the Badger Bounce Back program.
- For Lap Swimming one patron per lane is allowed. Patrons are expected to swim in the middle of the lane to allow for maximum distance.
- In order to avoid close contact, swim lessons will not be offered to children 5 and under and all swim lesson classes will be at 50% capacity.

ADDITIONAL POOL PROTOCOLS

- Lifeguard Chairs will be sanitized during rotation.
- Lifeguards will not be assigned additional duties.
- Each Lifeguard Station will be assigned their own rescue tube, masks, and First Aid pouch.
- At this time individually wrapped concessions will be available and patrons will have to clean up immediately when they are finished.

STAFF RESPONSIBILITY WELLNESS INITIATIVES

- Staff will be required to complete wellness and safety training prior to returning to work. Training will include OSHA and CDC requirements
- All shared equipment, including radios, phones, computers, payment area will be sanitized after every use
- Staff will adhere to social distancing guidelines at all times.
- All state and federal guidelines regarding gloves and face masks for staff will be followed.
- All staff are required to stay home if they are feeling ill.
- Staff with exposure or symptoms of COVID-19 will be required to stay home and follow isolation protocol for 14 days.

As more information becomes available, we will continue to make adjustments to support the safety and well-being of patrons and staff. From our staff we take pride in the role we are playing to ensure the wellness of those we serve. We are looking forward to serving you and your family soon!