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## **Hamilton Wenham Recreation Department Aquatic Facility Rules**

1. Swimming is only allowed when a lifeguard is on duty
2. All persons are required to take a cleansing shower before entering the pool
3. No person with a communicable disease is allowed in the water
4. No person with an open cut is allowed in the water.
5. A bathing suit is required of all swimmers. Non-toilet trained children must wear swim diapers.
6. **Swimmers age 16 and under are asked to take a swim test upon entering the pool, bathers choosing not to take the swim test are considered non-swimmers. Swimmers must pass the test every summer in order to swim outside the designated swim area. Upon completion of the swim test, swimmers will be marked with a wristband which they must wear in the pool.**
7. **The test consists of swimmers beginning in the deep end, treading water for 20 seconds and then swimming 25 yards on their front with head above the water without stopping to the satisfaction of the lifeguard or supervisor on duty.**
8. Swimmers may be tested on the spot by pool staff if their ability is in doubt
9. **Children must be eleven (11) years old and pass the swim test to be left alone at the pool.** Otherwise children must be with a responsible person at least sixteen (16) years of age.
10. **Children eight (8) year and under must be supervised at all times by a parent or guardian.**
11. **Children under the age of eight (8) who do not pass the swim test must be within an arm's reach of an adult in the water.**
12. After 5:30pm the pool is reserved for families and adult swimming. All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 21.
13. Fins, Snorkels, inflatable flotation devices and toys are not allowed. **Acceptable forms of flotation include: Coast Guard approved life jackets, puddle jumpers and foam bubbles.**
14. Diving is prohibited; jumping is allowed in five (5) feet or deeper
15. No running, pushing, or horseplay allowed at any time.
16. Food and Beverages are not allowed on the concrete pool deck or in the bathhouse. No glass or ceramic containers are allowed in the gated area.
17. Smoking is not allowed in the pool area.
18. Patrons who fail to obey these rules may be asked to leave and may have their memberships privileges revoked for the summer or in extreme cases, permanently.
19. Photography and Videography are PROHIBITED at the Veteran's Memorial Pool.