

Dear Barefoot Lakes Residents,

We are enthusiastic about the high pool use and understand your excitement surrounding the pools opening and hear your frustration with the check-in process, new rules/regulations, and communication. Thank you for your patience as the YMCA of Northern Colorado works to improve our systems and explain why our rules/regulations are in place now.

Going forward we will utilize a card scan check-in process with our gate monitor. Please complete the registration information and waivers as soon as possible.

### **Scan Cards and Waivers:**

We want to streamline the check-in process, but we need your help completing the registration part! Once you have added everyone to your family membership, please stop by the front desk or pool window to get a scan card. Sign-in forms will still be in use until we can get everyone switched to scan card in the next week or so.

Here is the link: [Barefoot Lakes Resident Registration](#)

**Here are a few reminders regarding pool rules, regulations, and policies:**

### **Pool Hours:**

The pool will be open daily from 10:00am- 8:00pm.

### **Pool Capacity:**

The lifeguard to swimmer ratio of 1: 25 will be maintained and strictly enforced.

Safety checks will be performed at a minimum of every 2 hours for 15 minutes where the pool will have to be completely emptied.

### **Guest passes:**

Every household gets 10 free guest passes. We have a punch card available for pick-up when you get your scan card. You may purchase additional guest passes at the front desk as well.

### **Children:**

No user under the age of 12 shall use the pool unless accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or other adult of the age of 18; or a minor aged 16 or older, as authorized on the Minor Release Form.

### **Swim Testing Policy:**

Children under the age of 12 are required to perform a safety swim test in front of one of our certified Lifeguards. This policy is aimed at identifying the swimming capability of our younger patrons to ensure their safety as well as the safety of other members. Each test level is pass/fail and may be retaken one more time per day. After passing the test, the swimmer's full name and most recent level will be kept in our logbook for one year.

Swimming capabilities and test level of all swimmers is at the discretion of the Lifeguard or supervisor on duty. At any time, a Lifeguard or supervisor may retest or revoke permission of any swimmer for safety concerns or policy violation.

**Lifeguards:**

Lifeguards attend the Swimming Pool during hours of operations. The absence of at least two (2) lifeguards at the Swimming Pool shall result in the closure of the swimming pool.

Please be kind and respectful to the lifeguards.

**Lifejacket Policy:**

The YMCA of Northern Colorado only allows the use of US Coast Guard Approved Flotation Devices.

**Lightning & Thunder:**

The YMCA will follow National Lightning Safety Institute recommended swimming pool safety procedures:

All guards will use the app "Weather bug". This app will notify your cell phone when lightning is in the area. Please set parameters to 10 miles. All outdoor pools are to remain closed until lightning is out of the 10-mile radar. The pool will reopen once the lightning is more than 10miles outside of the radar.

**Daily Temperatures:**

If the daily temperature does not rise to 60 degrees, the pool will be closed for the day.

For a complete list of Pool and Recreation Rules, please visit: <https://www.svlmd-barefootlakes.com/amenities/recreation-amenities-rules/the-cove-and-swimming-pool/>

Pool rules are also posted at the Cove for your review.

Please feel free to reach out to **The Cove at 303-862-8934** with any questions or concerns about operations and established rules and policies.