## **2018 NWY POOL POLICIES**

The following policies have been adopted by the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee to ensure safety at our pools.

## **POOL USAGE**

Those wishing to use the NWY pool must have one of the following:

- 1) A valid YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee Membership
- 2) A pool pass sold on site: See Front Side for Pricing

## **CHILD SUPERVISION**

- Any child who wants to swim in water over chest level and/or go off of the water slide must first pass a YMCA swim test
- Children age 5 and under must have a parent/guardian in the water within arm's reach at all times
- Children ages 6 & 7 must have a parent/guardian on the pool deck supervising behavior
- Children 7 years and younger who have passed the swim test will be issued a green wristband and may swim in deep water & use slide. Parent/Caregiver must be in pool area and supervise the child
- Children age 8 years and older may be in the pool unsupervised
- All children 16 years and younger who pass a swim test will receive a green wrist band allowing them to swim in the deep end of the pool and use slide.
- Non swimmers are restricted to water no deeper than chest level
- An adult must be within arms reach of anyone wearing a floatation device or weak or non-swimmers at all times

# **SWIM TESTING**

The Lifeguards will swim test all children interested in swimming in water deeper than chest level and/or those who are under 48 inches and wish to go off of the slide.

#### Swim Test:

Swimmer will jump in and duck head under water. Then, using a strong stroke on their stomach, will swim to mid point of the lane (determined by lifeguard) where they will tread water for 30 seconds then swim back to the starting point on their stomach using a strong stroke. \*At no time during the swim test is the swimmer allowed to touch the bottom or side of the pool.

Any swimmer who passes the swim test will wear a green wrist band to show they passed the test.

## PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES

Only Coast Guard approved lifejackets are allowed, and must be clean & in good condition

- Jackets are not supplied by the YMCA
- Inflatable floatation devices are never permitted

Anyone wearing a floatation device must be within arm's reach of a supervising adult/guardian at all times.

## **SWIMMING ATTIRE**

The YMCA is a family oriented facility. Please keep this thought in mind when selecting an appropriate *swim suit* to wear

Please do not wear

- Boxers, cut off pants or jeans
- t-shirts ("rash guards" are fine as long as they fit snuggly)
- "skimpy" style suits

Lifequards may refuse patrons from using pool if proper swim attire is not worn

### **WEATHER POLICY**

Pool will be closed for 30 minutes following the last sound of thunder or after the last sighting of lightening.

Pool will be closed if water or air temperature drops below 65 degrees F.

The YMCA reserves the right to remove any group or individuals from the pool, or prevent from entering the pool, if a situation or behaviour is deemed unsafe by the Lifeguards or Pool Management.