

VILLAGE OF NEW BREMEN POOL 2020 HANDBOOK

COVID-19 Edition



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419-629-3583**

Dear Friends,

In 2020 The Auglaize/Mercer YMCA and The Village of New Bremen have again entered into a partnership where The Y will staff and manage the pool. Due to the COVID-19 worldwide pandemic the pool will open later than normal. Additionally, there are Ohio State Health Department mandates that we must follow. We are asking for your understanding, patience, & co-operation following the new protocols.

You will notice new signage pertaining to COVID-19. These are placed for your knowledge and safety. We ask that you read them and follow their guidance. Our staff will be following a strict cleaning schedule for your safety. These rules and protocols will help us to maintain a healthy & safe environment.

While visiting the pool, we ask you to do the following

- Maintain at least 6 feet from others who are not in your immediate family
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash & wash your hands

Additional ways to stay safe

- When in public, wear a cloth covering over your mouth and nose
- Do not touch, your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Clean & disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Stay at home when you are sick

Failure to follow the new protocols could result in you being asked to leave the facility. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know by contacting the pool at 419-629-3583 or The Y at 419-629-9622.

Hours of Operation

Sunday-12:00 pm-5:00 pm

Monday- 12:30 pm-9:00 pm

Tuesday-12:30 pm-9:00 pm

Wednesday- 12:30 pm-9:00 pm

Thursday- 12:30 pm-9:00 pm

Friday- 12:30 pm-9:00 pm

Saturday- 12:00 pm-5:00 pm

2020 Pool Facility Capacity

The Ohio Health Department has mandated that we limit the number of patrons that can be inside the facility. **Based on the square footage of the deck & water surface area the 2020 capacity will be limited to 164 patrons.**

Season Pass Rates

- We will be selling Season Passes again this year.
- Due to COVID-19 protocols fees have been reduced for 2020

Family:	\$50.00
Individual:	\$25.00

Due to the COVID-19 protocols there is a possibility that even with a 2020 membership pass you may not be able to enter the pool if the pool capacity has been reached. The New Bremen Village Council has recognized that possibility and has decided to allow the purchase of Family & Individual pool passes only to those who are reside in the New Bremen School District. Council also has reduced membership rates for the 2020 season. Public day passes will be available each day at 1:30 pm. Families & Individuals may purchase yearly passes at the front counter or at The Y. No refunds or credits will be given for season passes.

The pass will be issued when payment is received in full and all information needed to create the membership is complete. A family includes two adults living in the same household and legal dependents defined by the IRS. Neighbors, visitors, etc. are not included. If the family has children under the age of 12, one babysitter age 18 or older can be added to the pass. Babysitters and children must follow age guidelines set forth in this handbook. Anyone 18 and over and not in high school are required to purchase an adult pass.

Season Pass Cards

- Season pass cards must be presented for entry.
- Season pass cards are non-transferable and must only be used by the purchaser.
- Borrowed Season pass cards will be invalidated with no refund of fees.
- There will be a \$1.00 charge for replacement membership cards.

Day Pass Rates

Adult:	\$5.00
Youth:	\$4.00
Family:	\$20.00

Day passes permit individuals to use the facility beginning at 1:30 pm. wishing to return for evening hours must receive a stamp or some proof of payment made for that particular day. Day pass fess are non-refundable.

A ratio of at least one adult to every 3 children is required.

** There will be no refunds due to patron should the pool close for any reason.

Deck Chairs – Due to the COVID-19 protocols all deck chairs have been removed at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

- You may bring in your own chair for the 2020 season

Youth Water Safety Policies and Procedures

Swim Test Policy and Patron Identification

All children will be swim tested again this year. We will use the same identification system will used last year for all patrons to better classify swimmer age and ability. Any parent wishing to have their child swim tested may do so during adult swim periods. The swim test will consist of the following:

- jumping into water over swimmer's head and resurfacing
- a 25-yard swim followed by a 1-minute period of unassisted treading in the deep end of the pool.

Upon successful completion of the swim test, the child's name, date of birth, address, and parent name will be recorded and stored for future visits.

RED BAND - Children ages 7 and under that have not passed a swim test. MUST be within arm's reach of an adult at all times.

YELLOW BAND - Children ages 8 and 9 that have not passed a swim. This signifies that a parent must be on site and in good visible distance of the child at all times. May go down the Water Slide but are prohibited from using the Diving Board. **Due to COVID-19 protocols the Diving Well & Water Slide will be closed at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.**

GREEN BAND - Children who have successfully completed the swim test. May go anywhere in the pool including the Water Slide & Diving Board. **Due to COVID-19 protocols the Diving Well & Water Slide will be closed at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.**

Swimmers who can pass a swim test:

- Under age 10: A family member 15 years or older must remain on-site at the pool.
- Age 10 and older: May use the pool on their own without a parent/guardian on-site. We reserve the right, regardless of participant's age, to deny access to areas of the facility we deem unsafe for that individuals swimming ability.

Swimmers who are unable to pass a swim test:

- Ages 7 and under: An adult must remain within arms-reach of their child at all times.
- Ages 8-9 years: An adult must remain on-site at the pool with a reasonable line of sight to the child at all times.
- Any child who is a non-swimmer must be accompanied in the water by an adult at all times.

Groups of children ages 9 and under must have a ratio of 1 adult to every five kids.

General Facility Policies

Rules apply during all times the pool is in operation including swim and dive practices, swim and dive meets, and pool rentals.

Lost or Unsupervised Children

Any child found to be separated from his/her parents and found by pool staff will be reunited with his/her parent or guardian as quickly as possible. At that time the parent will be notified that should the child be found to be unsupervised again throughout the day they will be asked to leave for the day. This will be documented on a patron misconduct form. Should repeat violations happen from the same family they will be subject to permanent ban from the facility.

Adult Swim: Monday - Friday 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Adult hour is for adults ages 18 years of age or older. This time is scheduled Monday – Thursday from 5-6 pm. Children ages 7 and under may be with an adult during adult swims but must be within an arms-length of the adult who must be in the water at all times. The child must be under direct supervision of the adult.

Leisure Swim: Monday - Friday 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm & Saturday - Sunday 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Open recreational swim time is for all ages. Children 7 years and under require an adult to supervise them in the pool area at all times. Children 7 and under require an adult to be in the water and within arms-reach at all times.

Family Swim: Monday - Friday 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

Family swim is a time set aside daily for families to occupy the pool. There is no age requirement for children as long as they are accompanied by at least one parent. Friends of the family are not permitted; this is a time for families to enjoy the New Bremen Community Pool. Family swim is Monday-Friday from 12:30 pm-1 pm.

Safety Breaks

Safety breaks in all pools are called 10 minutes before each hour. Adults may swim and children 7 years and under may swim with a parent or adult guardian within arms-reach. Youth ages 17 and under must exit the water.

Attire

Proper swim attire is required (NO cut off shorts, thongs, jeans, jean shorts, sweats or sweatshirts). Infants and toddlers are required to wear swim trunks over swim diapers. Swim diapers must be worn per the Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations. No changing diapers on the pool deck (changing tables are located in the bathrooms).

General Guidelines

- All persons must take a cleansing shower before using the pool and after using the toilet.
- Anyone afflicted with diarrhea in the past two weeks is prohibited from using the pool.
- No person will be permitted to use the pools unless the pool is open, and lifeguards are on duty.
- Tobacco, alcohol, non-prescription drugs, fireworks, cigarette lighters, gambling, and weapons of any type are not permitted on pool grounds.
- Respectful language and behavior must be used at all times.
- Diving in shallow water less than 12 feet deep is prohibited.
- No glass containers allowed on the premises.
- Small balls and inflatable beach balls are the only balls permitted.
- Ball throwing is at the lifeguard's discretion.
- Squirt guns are prohibited.
- Floatation devices are prohibited.
- No running.
- No cellular phones are permitted in the bathrooms of the pool house.
- Animals are not permitted in the facility area.
- One lounge chair per person. Pool furniture is not permitted in the lawn areas. Patrons may bring their own chairs for use in the lawn.
- You and your guests are responsible for your personal property. The Auglaize Mercer YMCA and the Village of New Bremen are not responsible for the protection of personal property.
- Any person using the pool facility will do so at their own risk. The Auglaize Mercer YMCA and the Village of New Bremen or any of its employees assume no responsibility for any injuries from use thereof.

- Any other guidelines deemed necessary for the safety and comfort of the swimmer will be enforced.

Water Slides – Due to COVID-19 protocols the Diving Well & Water Slide will be closed at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

- Riders must be 48 inches tall to ride and have the approved slide band to be allowed down the slide.
- No eyewear or goggles are permitted.
- Patrons should wait on the platform.
- Only one rider may enter a flume at a time.
- Do not run, dive, stand, kneel, rotate, or stop in the slide.
- At the end of the slide, obey all instructions by lifeguard and exit quickly.
- Riders must wait for lifeguard to signal before entering chute.
- Riders must exit at the stairs nearest to the lifeguard stand.
- Other patrons are not permitted to catch the rider at the exit of the slide.
- All patrons must stay on the opposite side of the rope.
- No floatation devices of any kind may be worn while riding the slide.
- Riders must go down the slide one at a time.
- According to Health Department regulations a lifeguard must be at the bottom of the slide.

Diving Boards – Due to COVID-19 protocols the Diving Well & Water Slide will be closed at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

- Caution shall be exercised in the use of diving boards.
- Divers must wait at the bottom of the steps until the board is clear.
- All dives must be made straight off the edge of the board with a single bounce.
- Patrons must be wearing the approved **GREEN BAND** to be allowed to use the diving boards.
- Only one diver is permitted on the dive board at any one time.
- No competitive diving without coaching supervision. This includes any type of back dive or back entry dive. No competitive dives during open swim, adult or family hour.

Pool Closing Policy

Management reserves the right to close the pool with no refunds due to the patron for the following reasons:

- Inclement weather.
- Air temperature below 72° at the time of opening.
- Low attendance- less than 10 patrons during a one-hour period.
- Water contamination (i.e. fecal accidents, etc.)
- Maintenance issues.
- Any public health-related reason.

**Closings will be posted on the Facebook page of the Village of New Bremen and the Auglaize Mercer YMCA.

Reopening Policy

Pool manager will make the call to close the pool by 11:00 am. If the pool is closed due to inclement weather early in the day, management will reevaluate the pool at 4:00 pm and open the pool at 5:00 pm if the weather conditions allow.

Lightning Policy

The pool staff is continuously monitoring weather patterns through an electronic lightning detection system. This system can detect storms up to 40 miles away.

Please understand the safety of our patrons is the highest concern. Therefore, if thunder and/or lightening are detected within 30 miles, the pool will be evacuated until 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard. If thunder or lightening occurs again within the 30-minute period, another 30-minute period will go into effect.

Party Rentals – Due to COVID-19 protocols there will be no rentals at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

Barracudas Swim Team – Due to COVID-19 protocols there will be no Barracudas Swim Team for the 2020 season. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

Lost and Found – Due to COVID-19 protocols lost & found items will not be kept out in the the public area. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

The Lost and Found is divided into 2 areas. Items of value are kept in the manager’s office. All other items will be kept in the pool office. Contact the staff for any missing items.

Concessions and Food – Due to COVID-19 protocols there will be no concessions at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy. You are welcome to bring in your own food and snacks. We kindly ask that you keep your area clean. Glass containers of any kind are prohibited. The staff reserves the right to search any coolers or bags being brought into the facility.

Outdoor Swim Lessons – Due to COVID-19 protocols there will be no swim lessons at this time. If restrictions get lifted, we will revisit this policy.

Again, we ask for your assistance and co-operation this year. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced all of us to manage things differently. Going to the pool will be no exception.

Should you have any questions or comments you may contact The Y at (419) 629-1925 or any member of The New Bremen Village Council.

Thank you for your understanding.

