

Facility Swim Test

Pool Admission Standard is a Provincial Law That Pools Must Follow.

The recreational swim admission standard is applied to all recreational swims. Aquatic staff may ask a participant for a demonstration of their ability if they feel there is a question of personal safety.

To successfully pass the facility swim test, individuals must:

- Swim on their front for one width of the pool successfully with his/her face in the water.
- Must be a recognizable stroke.
- Swimmers must maintain a regular, comfortable breathing pattern and must not stop during the entire distance.

<p>Ages 0-7</p>	<p>STOP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children must be within arms reach of a guardian (14 yrs+) at all times, regardless of swimming ability. • Children age 7 and under may not be admitted to the swimming pool unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian (14 yrs+). • One guardian is required for every two children (1:2). 	<p>Age 14+ Age 7 & Under</p> <p>Within arms reach in water.</p>
<p>Ages 8-9</p>	<p>CAUTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children age 8 and 9 who successfully complete the facility swim test may swim independently of their guardian (14 yrs+). 	<p>Age 8 & 9 complete swim test.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children age 8 and 9 who cannot successfully complete the facility swim test must stay within arms reach of their guardian (14 yrs+). • One guardian is required for every two children (1:2). 	<p>Age 14+ Age 8 & 9</p> <p>Within arms reach in water.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One guardian may supervise up to five children wearing lifejackets (1:5). 	<p>Age 14+ Age 8 & 9 with lifejackets</p> <p>Within arms reach in water.</p>
<p>Ages 10+</p>	<p>GO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children age 10 and older may enter the pool area independent of their guardian. Swimming with a buddy is strongly recommended. 	<p>Age 10+</p>

Public Pools Regulation, Under the Health Protection and Promotion Act Reg. 565.s.17.21. Lifesaving Society's Guide to Ontario Public Pools Regulations, Section 17.

Summer Water Safety

- Drowning is fast and silent - Stay within arms' reach of children.
- **STAY ALERT!** Supervision of children and non-swimmers is essential.
- Always swim with a buddy!
- Always wear a life jacket when you are in a boat.