



Glen Innes Severn Council

Aquatic Responsibility Code

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Glen Innes Severn Council is promoting the **Aquatic Responsibility Code** for patrons attending Council pools. The code is a safety initiative introduced to keep all pool users safe.

Regardless of how you enjoy your water activities, always show courtesy to others and be aware that there are inherent risks in all water-based recreation activities that common sense and personal awareness can reduce. These risks include shallow water, wet surfaces and patrons of varying age and swimming ability.

It is your responsibility to know and obey this Code. Pool safety is a shared responsibility that requires a co-operative and community approach. Observe the Code below and share with others the responsibility for a great experience at the pool.

1. Observe and obey all signs and warnings at the pool as well as all lawful directives given by Pool Lifeguards and Pool Staff.
2. Always check the pool depth before entering the water. Enter the water in a safe manner and check for other swimmers before jumping in. You **MUST** avoid people already in the water.
3. Always be respectful of other people and the nature of their particular pool activity.
4. Never run on wet areas, always move around the pool in a safe manner.
5. If you are involved in or witness an accident in the pool, remain at the scene, identify yourself to the Pool Lifeguard and follow any instructions given.
6. Do **NOT** swim, bathe or undertake any aquatic activity if your ability is impaired by drugs or alcohol.
7. Always swim in water that is a safe depth for your capability. Take lessons from a qualified instructor to progress and learn swimming, first aid and resuscitation skills.
8. Children under the age of 10 **MUST** be actively supervised by a responsible person over the age of 16 at **ALL** times. **PLEASE WATCH YOUR CHILD NOT YOUR MOBILE.**
9. Parents and carers must communicate and establish responsibility for direct supervision of children at all times around water. Designate at least one (1) adult "Water Watcher" to supervise children around pools especially during social gatherings. Don't rely on older siblings or other children to supervise swimmers and don't rely on swimming lessons, flotation devices or other equipment to make a child "water safe".
10. Always swim with a friend and keep a look out for your mates.

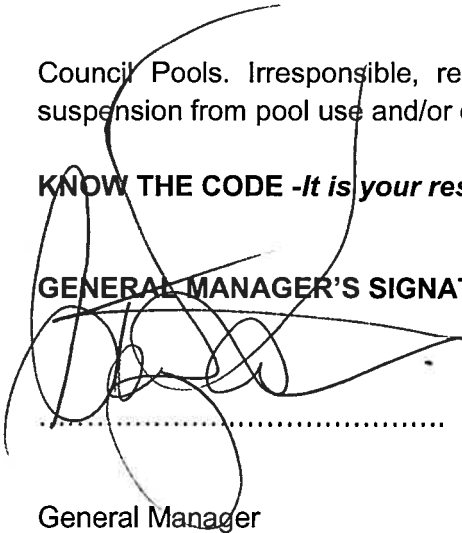
Pool Lifeguards are at the pool to assist, educate and help you understand this Aquatic Responsibility Code. To ensure that all pool patrons enjoy themselves at Glen Innes Severn

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Council Pools. Irresponsible, reckless and anti social behaviour may result in immediate suspension from pool use and/or cancellation of season passes, without refunds being issued.

KNOW THE CODE -It is your responsibility.

GENERAL MANAGER'S SIGNATURE / DATE



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