AQUATICS PROTECTION PLAN AND NEW OPERATING PROCEDURES

The following health and safety measures will be implemented by the Beaufort County Parks and Recreation Department, along with additional recommendations made by the state and CDC:

POOL SCHEDULE:

- Indoor Pools as follows:
  - Bluffton - Monday through Friday - 8am – 5pm
  - Beaufort – Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8am – 5pm
  - Battery Creek – Tuesday, Thursday - 8am – 5pm

- Outdoor Pool
  - Tuesday through Saturday – 10am – 7pm and Sunday – 1pm – 7pm

REQUIREMENTS WHEN ENTERING FACILITY:

- All who enter the facility must fill out Covid waiver.
- All must have an account and verify information on file upon check in.
- If at any time a patron has any symptoms they should not enter the facility. Temperatures will be checked when entering. Any elevated temperature will keep you from entering the facility. If you see anyone in the facility you are concerned with, please notify staff immediately.
- At the indoor pool all patrons must wear a face covering when entering the facility and shall keep it on at all times when not in the pool. If an individual refuses to wear a face covering, she/he is not permitted in the facility. If they do not abide by policy the will be asked to leave.
- All swimmers are to arrive in their swimsuits and leave in their swimsuits. Changing rooms are not available and deck changing is not permitted.
- Indoor Pool doors and windows will be opened, as well as fans will be installed for increased circulation of air. No patron may enter through the side doors. If this happens they will be removed from the facility and placed on suspension from further use.
- All patrons must enter and exit through the appropriate doors. Entrance and exit doors will be labeled and separated.

FACILITY GUIDELINE:

- Occupancy for the month of June in the indoor pools will be a maximum of 36 patrons, and no more than 5 swimmers per lane. The only exception would be if an entire family is sharing a lane. After June the occupancy numbers will be evaluated.
- Due to occupancy limits anyone not swimming that does not need to be with a child for age requirement, or patron is asked to drop off the swimmer. All swimming will be limited to one hour until occupancy increases.
The pool will be open for open swim only for the month of June. Per SCDHEC guidelines, it is recommended to avoid group events.

Swim lessons will only be offered as individual Mommy and Me classes for the month of June. We will reevaluate Water Safety Instructor individual lessons for July. Scheduled lessons will be included in the occupancy count for the hour they are scheduled.

Locker rooms will be limited to a “one-in, one-out” policy and used for restroom use only. (Unless there is an emergency).

All showers will be closed until further notice.

Staff will increase frequency of cleaning and sanitizing areas of high-traffic (i.e. restrooms). The facility will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected every evening at closing.

Deck chairs at the indoor pools will be placed at the end of each lane for use by those that have family swimming. Additional deck chairs will be available and assigned upon request. Once chairs are used they must be placed in the area designated that needs to be cleaned and sanitized.

Deck chairs at the outdoor pools will not be available until further notice. Please bring your own chair.

Bleachers will be stood to avoid use until further notice.

Diaper changing stations are available. If they are used you must notify staff immediately so that they may clean. (Notes are placed on each station)

Signs will be posted. If you see anyone not abiding by the protection plan you are asked to notify staff immediately. Anyone patron not abiding will be suspended until further notice.

All patrons are encouraged to bring in a labeled bottle of water. (We also sell water for $1 per bottle). Water fountains may only be used to fill bottles, not drink from.

All visitors are required to adhere to social distancing while on the pool deck before and after swimming.

EQUIPMENT:

- Limit the use of shared equipment until further notice. It is highly encouraged that patrons purchased and provide their own equipment.
- Some equipment will be available for purchase. Patrons may bring in noodles, or other similar items, but they must keep up with them at all times.
- Kickboards and buoys may be requested when needed, but must be placed in the bin to be sanitized after use.
- Lifejackets – It is recommended you bring your own. If you can’t or do not have one, we will issue you one, but it must be placed the bin to be sanitized after use.
- A bin has been placed on the pool deck and labeled for any used equipment to be placed in after use. Staff will be responsible for sanitizing any used equipment.
- No equipment will or can be stored at the pool.

Beaufort County Parks and Recreation as well as Beaufort County Council reserves the right to make changes to this plan at any time.