

Livingston City Pool Opening Updates 2020 Season

As we head into Phase 2—The Livingston Recreation Department is excited to be able to open the City Pool and Splash Park for the season on June 15, 2020 provided weather and mechanics cooperate with us!

COVID-19 has brought many changes to how we may interact socially. In order to keep our staff and pool patron's safe during this time of uncertainty, we are required to modify our programming, rules, regulations and behavioral standards. These modifications have been made in order to comply with the guidance from the CDC, the Governor's Office as well as the Park County Public Health Department. Key changes are noted in the grid below.

Please note: *our staff are charged with making sure that these guidelines are enforced for everyone's safety, including their own. Any patrons who bully, harass or berate staff on these or any other guidelines will be asked to leave and will not be eligible for a refund and may not be permitted to return for the season.*

We are fortunate to be able to open the pool at all this year, so let's work together to make it a great season!

Operational Change	Reason and Rationale	New Normal
Pool Capacity is capped at 75% or 135 persons (including those on the deck).	Compliance with CDC Guidelines.	Capacity will be strictly enforced and monitored; all persons entering the facility will be charged admission.
Structured Swim Lessons will not be offered for the 2020 pool season.	We take the health and safety of our staff and community members seriously. We cannot social distance while also offering swim lessons. Additionally, we are operating at half our normal staff size. Due to the length of shelter-in-place orders and Phase 1 we lost our opportunity to onboard and certify new staff.	Instead, we are offering Calm Waters Swim hours, a time set aside for families with children to work on swimming skills in a quiet setting. Instructional materials will be available online and at the pool house. Certified instructional staff will also be available on deck for questions and clarification of materials. Your child MUST be accompanied in the water by a parent, guardian or responsible person over the age of 14.
Pool Desk Check-in process.	Compliance with local health department / CDC guidelines to be able to contact-trace a potential outbreak.	All pool users are asked to remain patient as the check-in process for the pool will take more time than a normal year. Users will be required to check-in clearly documenting their name, day/time of use, emergency contact information and acknowledgement of good health. Users bringing in children to the pool must additionally sign in each child.
Season Passes will not be offered for the 2020 pool season.	If COVID-19 cases increase during Phase 2, and restrictions are put back to Phase 1, we will be required to close the Pool. Given the uncertainty, a pay as you go system presents the least risk for consumers.	Season Passes will return in 2021. Daily pass admission and/or multi-time punch cards will be available for sale.
Children under the age 14 must be accompanied by a "Responsible Person"	Responsible Person is defined as a responsible individual over the age of 14. This is to comply with state law on the operation of municipal pools.	Detailed permission slips will be completed by a parent or guardian so that a responsible person over the age 14 may bring a younger child to the Pool. Strict behavioral expectations will be enforced.
1 adult may bring up to 4 children under the age of 14. Ratios of 4:1 (four children to one adult) are required unless all children reside in the same household.	This ratio is to ensure both compliance with CDC recommendations regarding capacity as well as social distancing protocols.	4:1 ratios will be monitored through the check-in process. Upon check-in the adult or responsible person will sign in and acknowledge everyone in their party is of good health.
Anyone exhibiting symptoms consistent with COVID-19 will not be permitted to enter the Pool facility.	Compliance with CDC Guidelines.	This will be monitored through the check-in process upon arrival.

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Re-admission not permitted.	Compliance with CDC Guidelines to maintain 75% capacity.	Admission purchased at the pool desk will be good for one-time only. Due to concerns of inter-mixing and contamination pool users may not return to the pool on the same day without purchasing a new pass and following the check-in procedures.
Pool floats and toys will not be allowed in the pool for the 2020 season.	Floats do not allow for proper social distancing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inner-tubes, large “fun” floatation toys are not permitted. • Personal PFD’s (lifejackets, baby floats and arm floaties) will be permitted. • Personal dive toys and goggles permitted. • City Pool lifejackets, Dive toys, goggles will not be available.
Locker room modifications.	To eliminate areas of congregation, the locker/changing rooms will be unavailable to the public.	Access to restroom, shower area and infant changing table will remain available. Please arrive and depart in your swim attire and bring limited personal belongings.
Showering before entering the swimming pool.	Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services requires all pool users to shower with soap before entering the swimming pool.	Pool Users must shower off before entering the pool deck.