

Victoria Park Community Pool Admission Standards

RED BAND - 5 YEARS OF AGE OR UNDER

- Children 5 years of age or under may not be admitted to the swimming pool unless **they are accompanied by a parent/guardian who is responsible for their direct in-water, same area of the pool, within arm's reach, supervision.**
- One parent/guardian required per two children.
- Children may wear a lifejacket but the ratio remains 1:2.

YELLOW BAND - 6 – 9 YEARS

- Yellow bands are to be worn by children who are between 6 and 9 years of age.
- **Must be accompanied by a parent/guardian that is responsible for their direct in-water, same area of the pool, within arm's reach, supervision.**
- **Ratio is one parent/guardian to four children.**
- Ratio may be increased to one parent/guardian to eight children when all children are yellow banded and wearing a lifejacket. *in-water, within arm's reach, same area of pool applies.

GREEN BAND - 6 - 11 YEARS

- **Children 6-9 years of age must be yellow banded and then take the swim test as soon as they come out to the pool. Those who are able to pass the facility swim test may be admitted to the pool and the parent/guardian must be in the water.**
- **Children 6-9 who do not pass the facility swim test must wear their yellow band and are subject to the yellow band parameters as listed above.**
- **Swim test** = swim 2 widths of the pool with face in the water using a comfortable breathing pattern, arm and leg action, no stopping or touching the bottom of the pool or the lane rope. All swim tests are done in the shallow end and the Lifeguard makes the final decision.
- **Children 6-9 years of age** will be required to take the facility swim test each visit if they want to receive a green band.
- **10-11 years of age** may be admitted to the pool unaccompanied, no swim test required, green band required. Parent/Guardian must remain in the building.

NO Band Required- 12 Years+

- 12+ years of age considered as a guardian in the pool, no swim test, no band required.
- Guardians are responsible for the children in their care while in the facility. Supervision is defined as the **direct in-water, same area of the pool, within arm's reach, supervision.**