Cape Aquatic Center Rules & Frequently Asked Questions

General Rules

- No running, shoving, or rough play.
- No glass or metal objects.
- No air mattresses or water noodles.
- No diving into water less than six feet deep.
- No hanging on the lane ropes or playing inside the lap swimming lanes.
- Small children in floatation devices must be within arm's length of an adult and closely supervised at all times.
- Infants, toddlers, and children not toilet trained must wear swim diapers in the pool.
- Only proper swim attire may be worn. Street clothes, cut offs and under garments are not acceptable swim wear.
- Swimmers with contagious conditions or open wounds will not be allowed admission.
- Tobacco use is prohibited.
- Food is allowed only in designated areas.
- Patrons involved in violent behavior, the use of foul language, or excessive rule breaking will be asked to leave without refund.
- Lifeguards on duty will enforce all pool rules and regulations. Lifeguards and management have the final authority in all safety issues and regulations.
- Facility staff reserves the right to administer a swim test to any patron whose swimming ability is in question.
- All patrons must take a shower before entering the water.
- Cell phone usage is prohibited in the locker rooms.
- All swim diapers must be covered by a swimsuit. All diaper changing must be done in the family changing area or restrooms.
- Deck furniture may not be placed in any pool entry or walkway.
- Only radios utilizing headphones will be allowed.
- City of Cape Girardeau is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Lost and found will be cleaned out each Wednesday.
- In case of inclement weather, facility staff will give instructions to ensure patron's safety.
- Pool management reserves the right to modify these rules as situations dictate. Failure to follow directions from Central Municipal Pool staff will result in removal from the facility.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I buy a Season Pass for Cape Aquatic Center?

Cape Aquatic Center offers coupon cards. The prices are as follows:

- Child (1-13) $45.00 / 10 visits
- Adult (14-59) $60.00 / 10 visits
- Senior(60+) $50.00 / 10 visits

Do you have Gift Certificates or Gift Cards available?

Gift cards can be sold for any increment. They may be redeemed at any City of Cape Girardeau Parks & Recreation locations toward admissions, concessions, passes or classes.

Do I need to come in my swimming suit or can I change when I get there?
There are changing rooms available at Cape Aquatic Center.

Can I purchase a daily admission, stay for a bit, leave and come back without having to pay again?
No. Once you are inside the facility and pay the admission fee, if you leave, there is no remittance without paying the admission fee again or show pass again.

Can I bring in my own food and drink to Cape Aquatic Center?
Yes, food is allowed only in designated areas. No glass, metal objects or open flames.

Are there lockers at Cape Aquatic Center?
Yes. The City of Cape Girardeau is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Please bring your own lock to verify your items are secure.

May I bring in rafts or pool toys?
No blow-up rafts or Styrofoam water noodles will be allowed. Facility staff reserves the right to restrict any flotation devices that are determined to be unsafe for improperly used. Parents must supervise children in flotation devices by being within arm's length of the child at all times.

May I drop of my children and pick up when I get off of work?
Children 12 & under must be accompanied at all times by a responsible person age 15 or older. All parents or guardians must be within arm's reach of non-swimmers. Cape Aquatic Center does not provide babysitting service.

I am coming in regular clothes to sit and read or watch my children – I will not be swimming, must I pay admission?
No. You will not be charged to sit on the pool deck to watch your children play. Payment will be required if a non-paying patron enters the pool. All parents or guardians must be within arm's reach of non-swimmers. Cape Aquatic Center does not provide babysitting service.

May I smoke inside Cape Aquatic Center?
No, Cape Aquatic Center is a non-smoking facility. You may ask for a 15 minute pass to exit the facility from the Customer Service desk. If gone longer than 15 minutes, you will have to pay to re-enter.

If I am attending a Birthday Party but not going to swim or participate, do I have to pay are be included in the Birthday Package**?**
No. You will not be charged to sit on the pool deck to watch your children play. Payment will be required if a non-paying patron enters the pool. All parents or guardians must be within arm's reach of non-swimmers. Cape Aquatic Center does not provide babysitting service.