

Private Event Supervision

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Background Information

Parents and Guardians need to be made aware of their responsibilities per the Royal Life Saving Society 'Keep Watch' Around Water Program.

Keep Watch @ Public Pool Policy

- ✓ Children (under 10 years) are not allowed entry unless under active supervision of a person 16 years or older.
- ✓ Parents and guardians should actively supervise their children at all times and be dressed ready to enter a pool.
- ✓ For 0 - 5 year olds and non-swimmers, a parent or guardian needs to be in the water at all times and within arms' reach of the child. It is best if you are engaging with your child i.e. playing with them, talking to them.
- ✓ Constant active supervision is required for children aged 6 - 10 years old. Parents and carers must be prepared to enter the water with this age group.
- ✓ For 11 - 14 year olds it is recommended that parents regularly check on their child by physically going to where they are in or around the water.



To promote the underpinning requirements of the Royal Life Saving Society 'Keep Watch' Around Water Program as it would apply to events, such as children's birthday parties, Community Aquatics applies a Private Event Supervision Policy within all its facilities.

This policy is informative and acts a guide to offer persons bookings events to understand that Life Guards are not baby sitters, and that they must assume the responsibility to provide supervision over all persons within their event, that is in line with industry standards.

Community Aquatics Private Event Supervision Policy

- Children under the age of five years must be accompanied by an adult while in any pool and remain within arm's reach at all times
- Children under the age of ten years must be supervised by an appropriate parent or guardian
- Groups / Events will not be admitted where the number of parent/guardian's supervising a group of children under five exceeds the ratio of 1:4
- Groups / Events will not be admitted where the number of parent/guardian's supervising a group of children under ten exceeds the ratio of 1:10