

GOODMAN POOL RULES

Effective July 11, 2025

What to Know Before Your Visit

- Review the City of Madison [Goodman Pool Behavior Policy](#)
- Limited pre-packaged concessions are available. Cash, check, or credit cards are accepted.
- Food & beverages are allowed in the cabana area only, except for water.
- Swim diapers are required for those who are not toilet trained.
- EMERGENCY ACCESS: The circular drive and fire lane at the south parking lot are closed to all motor vehicles to allow for emergency access. No stopping, standing or idling vehicles is allowed and violators may be subject to a citation.
- All swimmers aged 12 years and younger will be required to pass a swim test to use the diving board or swim in the deep end of the lap pool. See [Swim Test](#) for more information.
- All visitors are expected to behave appropriately or will be subject to suspension outlined in the City of Madison Goodman Pool Behavior Policy.
- Children 10 and under must be actively supervised and watched within arm's reach by a caregiver aged 16 or older.
- Until further notice, children aged 11 through 15 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or responsible adult aged 18 or older with proof of age.
- Sunday Night Swim: Groups up to 6 may enjoy the pool for \$15 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm on Sunday evenings.

IMPORTANT: Failure to follow the rules or listen to staff will result in your removal from the pool facility. Repeated offenses will not be tolerated and you could be suspended from visiting the Pool for the season. See City of Madison Goodman Pool Behavior Policy for more information.

General Rules

- Respect all guests and staff members.
- No derogative, racial, cursing or otherwise inappropriate language toward another guest or staff member.
- Fighting, pretend fighting and/or roughhousing are not allowed.
- Swim only when a lifeguard is on duty.
- Obey lifeguard instructions at all times.
- Food & beverages are allowed in the cabana area only, except for water.
- Coolers are allowed in the cabana area only.

- Diving is permitted in the diving well only.
- Do not enter the pool area if you have an open cut or communicable disease.
- Inflatables, such as inner tubes, water wings, and swimsuits with built-in flotation, are not allowed.
- Children under 10 must be actively supervised and watched by a caregiver aged 16 or older.
- Until further notice, children aged 11 through 15 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or responsible adult aged 18 or older with proof of age.
- Swim diapers are required for those who are not toilet-trained. Diaper changing on the pool deck is prohibited.
- No smoking, vaping or electronic smoking devices are permitted.
- Alcohol is not permitted.
- Full-faced swimming masks are not allowed.
- Spitting is not allowed.
- Glass containers of any kind are not permitted.
- The City of Madison is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Leave no trace and put litter in its place.
- Patrons arriving by car: parking is allowed in marked stalls only. No stopping, standing or idling in the circle drive or fire lane in the south parking lot.
- Shower before entering the pool and after the use of toilet facilities.
- Animals are prohibited in the pool facility.
- No running, hanging on ropes, going over ropes, or being on other persons shoulders.
- Items being thrown must be soft and squishy.
- Must stay on the north side of the black line separating the dive well from the shallow lap lanes.
- Kickboards, pool noodles and torpedoes are not allowed during open recreation swim.

Lifejacket Rules

- Only United States Coast Guard-approved lifejackets are allowed.
- A limited supply of free lifejackets are available for use while at the pool.
 - See Admissions staff to check out a lifejacket.
- Lifejackets are not permitted in the deep water or on slides.
- Children wearing a lifejacket must be supervised and within arm's reach of a caregiver aged 16 or older.
- Please choose a lifejacket that is appropriately sized, see an attendant or lifeguard for assistance.

Slide Rules

- All riders must be at least 42" tall.
- Maximum rider weight is 300 pounds.
- Warning: Water depth is 3 feet.
- All riders must ride feet first while lying on their back with arms crossed across their chest. Do not go down the slide head first or on your stomach.
- Riders must enter the slide in a sitting position.
- Follow the instructions of the attendant.
- Do not propel yourself into the ride.
- Only one rider at a time. No trains or chains of riders are permitted.
- No tubes, mats, or lifejackets are permitted on the waterslides.
- No cutoff jeans or swimwear with excessively exposed zippers, buckles, rivets or metal ornamentation; only approved swimwear allowed.
- Riders must be in good health. Elderly persons, those suffering from heart disease, high blood pressure, epilepsy, or persons using prescription medication should consult their physicians before using this ride. Individuals with medical conditions including, but not limited to, heart conditions, or back problems should not use the ride.
- Do not use the slide while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Goggles are not allowed on the slide.
- Follow any rule required by the manufacturer or the attraction.
- Riders assume all risk of injury due to misuse of this slide or failure to follow these rules.
- ***WARNING: FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE RULES CAN RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH***

Diving Board Rules

- Only one person is allowed on the diving board at a time.
- Only one bounce is allowed.
- No personal flotation devices, goggles, or flippers are allowed on the diving board.
- You must wait on the ground until the person in front of you goes off.
- You must wait until the previous person gets to the side or ladder before going off.
- Jump straight off the diving board.
- No sitting on the diving board.
- No throwing or catching items while jumping off the diving board.
- No trains or chains are permitted.