

## **Outdoor Water Usage Policy**

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The purpose of this policy is to promote responsible water conservation, fair and reasonable use of common property, and resident and child safety, in conjunction with Royal City Housing Co-op and City/Municipal Bylaws.

All Co-op Members, household members, other occupants, and guests are required to comply with this policy.

### **1. General Water Use Restrictions**

#### Sprinklers

The use of sprinklers of any kind is strictly prohibited due to excessive water consumption and potential waste.

#### Municipal Water Restrictions

All outdoor water use must comply with any current and future water restrictions imposed by the City of Guelph and/or other governing authorities.

### **2. Pools**

Only small kiddie pools are permitted, on a limited basis, and only in accordance with the conditions set out below.

2.1 Size Restrictions, pools must not exceed:

- 60 inches (5 feet) in diameter, and
- 24 inches (2 feet) in height.

2.2 Water Use Limitations

- Kiddie pools may not be filled more than halfway.
- Kiddie pools may only be filled and emptied once per day.
- Members are expected to exercise discretion and conserve water at all times.

2.3 Prohibited Locations

The use of any pool is strictly prohibited in the following areas:

- On sidewalks and pathways
- In the driveway
- In the courtyard
- Covering or in any way blocking a drain
- On balconies, porches, or decks
- Any indoor area
- Any location that blocks or obstructs gates, doors, paths, or access routes

2.4 Drainage Requirements

- Kiddie pools must be emptied in a manner that directs water away from buildings, foundations, and structures

2.5 Environmental Protection

- No substances, fluids, or materials harmful to the environment or property may be added to or used in kiddie pools

### **3. Safety and Supervision**

Children under the age of twelve (12) must be under direct adult supervision at all times while participating in outdoor water-related activities.

### **4. Liability**

The Co-operative, its Board, and its agents assume no responsibility or liability for any injury, loss, or damage arising from or related to outdoor water-related activities.