

Old Brick Cottage  
Sutton Place  
Abinger Hammer  
Dorking RH5 6RN  
29th July 2016

Dear SSPC Member

Following two incidents at swimming pools within Surrey, Guildford Borough Council HSE have inspected all pools within their area that are open to swimming by the public. Whilst praising Shere Pool for its history, systems and record keeping it has resulted in several Health and Safety changes to our rules and systems that we are required to implement. The changes which have *immediate* effect on all members and *have* to be the responsibility of the individual member, are as follows:

- 1. ANY CHILD UNDER 16 YEARS OLD THAT CANNOT SWIM A WIDTH UNAIDED MUST BE ACCOMPANIED IN THE WATER BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT.  
IF YOU ARE CERTAIN THAT YOUR CHILD OR ANY CHILD WITHIN YOUR CARE ADMITTED WITH YOUR CARD CAN SWIM A WIDTH UNAIDED, THEN IT IS ACCEPTABLE FOR YOU TO SUPERVISE THEM FROM THE POOL SIDE.**
- 2. THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PEOPLE ALLOWED IN THE POOL AT ANY ONE TIME IS 50**

Members found breaching these or any other rules risk losing their membership and the denial of future renewal. **Safety at the SSPC pool depends on self policing of these and all other rules by members. Abusive responses to requests to observe the rules will also result in loss of membership.** Should an accident occur Guildford Borough Council HSE could insist on the presence of a lifeguard which would result in a significantly higher membership fee and restricted opening times.

The club is run by a committee of volunteers who are not in a position to ignore this and other requirements and ask that you cooperate in order that the pool can continue to remain open.

Therefore

**ALL ADULT MEMBERS MUST READ AND SIGN** the attached declaration and return to the Membership Secretary (address above) by Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. If no such undertaking is received at this time, your gate card will be deactivated. If you feel unable to comply please let us know and you will be deemed to have relinquished your membership.

M. D. W. Kelly

Hon. Membership Secretary

pp SSPC Committee.

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SSPC Amendment to Rules July 2016

I/We understand and accept the rules that

1. Any child under 16 years old that cannot swim a width unaided must be accompanied in the water by a responsible adult. If you are certain that your child under the age of 16 or any child within your care ie anyone admitted via your card, can swim a width unaided then it is acceptable for you to supervise them from the pool side.
2. The maximum number of people allowed in the pool at any one time is 50

CARD NUMBER eg K1234 1234567	K.....	DATE
	NAME PRINTED	SIGNATURE
ADULT 1		
ADULT 2 (Family Memberships)		