



Watch Around Water Policies

Watch Around Water is designed to increase the proportion of parents/guardians who adequately supervise their children in public aquatic facilities. Watch Around Water does this through the promotion of a series of policies.

- *Children under the age of ten (10) will not be admitted without an appropriate parent/guardian.*
- *A child under the age of ten (10) years must be constantly accompanied by an adult while in the Aquatic area of the Centre. The parent/guardian must position himself or herself to have a clear view of the child with no physical or structural barriers between them and the child.*
- *A child under the age of five (5) years must be constantly supervised by an adult. Adequate supervision requires the parent/guardian to accompany the child in the water and remain within arms reach of the child at all times.*
- *For children ten (10) years and older parents must use their knowledge of the child's swimming ability to determine the level of accompaniment required.*
- *Groups will not be admitted where the number of Parent/Guardian's supervising a group of children under five (5) exceeds the ratio of 1:4.*
- *Groups will not be admitted where the number of Parent/Guardian's supervising a group of children under ten (10) exceeds the ratio of 1:10.*
- *Children under the age of five (5) will not be admitted without an appropriate full-fee paying parent/guardian who is prepared to swim.*
- *A parent/guardian is regarded as a responsible individual who is over the age of Sixteen (16).*
- *Unsupervised children will be removed from the water and placed in a safe area until collected by the parent/guardian.*

