

# BEREA RECREATION DEPARTMENT PARKS & FACILITIES RULES & POLICIES

It is the intent of the City of Berea and the Berea Recreation Department to offer high quality parks, amenities, facilities and programs for those in the Berea community. Use of these parks, amenities and facilities by people of all ages is strongly encouraged.

## BEREA RECREATION CENTER

451 Front Street  
Berea, Ohio 44017

We pride ourselves on providing high-quality services for a wide range of community needs. Our Recreation Center is a 32,000 sq. ft. facility with pool, sauna, two weight rooms, cardio equipment, fitness studios, racquetball court, basketball courts, indoor track and more.

### GENERAL BEREA RECREATION CENTER RULES & POLICIES

- Current membership, daily guest fee, or enrollment in a program is required to gain access to the recreation center.
- All persons entering the facility must check in at the front desk.
- The Berea Recreation Center is a smoke, drug and alcohol-free facility.
- No spitting, chewing tobacco, vaping/electronic cigarettes or gum allowed in the facility.
- Appropriate attire required - shirts are required at all times unless swimming in the pool.
- Only scuff-resistant shoes are permitted in the activity areas of the facility. Dark-soled athletic shoes, turf shoes, spiked shoes, boots or any other shoes that may mark the floors are prohibited. Muddy or dirty shoes are not permitted. Wet shoes are not permitted on any exercise equipment. Shoes must be worn at all times while in the facility, except in locker rooms and pool area.
- No pets allowed, except those assisting a person with a disability or if a special program is scheduled.
- On the indoor track, patrons must follow the arrows for the daily track direction.
- Public displays of amorous affection are not permitted.
- Eating and drinking is only permitted in designated areas of the facility. No food is permitted on the lower level.
- Changes in the recreation schedule may occur without notice.
- The Berea Recreation Center is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Do not bring valuables into the facility.
- Lockers are available for use. Bring your own lock and remove it by the end of each day or Recreation staff will remove it.
- The following activities WILL NOT be tolerated and may be subject to suspension, expulsion and/or criminal prosecution: fighting, foul language, loitering (inside and outside the facility), defrauding membership, disorderly conduct, damaging equipment or property, and creating a hostile environment based on race, color, religion, sex (including sexual harassment), national origin or age.
- Recreation Center staff must approve all posters, flyers, signs, etc. Displays may only be posted on approved bulletin boards.
- NSF check fees are \$25 and must be paid in cash, plus the cost of your membership or program registration.
- Recreation Center staff reserves the right to add, change or delete any rules or policies, that in their judgment, will help to maintain a safe environment.
- Children 6 years of age and older may not use the locker room of the opposite sex. Please use our family locker room located across from the women's locker room entrance.
- Children under 8 years of age MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian, unless they are enrolled in an organized program.
- Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian while on the indoor track.

# BEREA RECREATION DEPARTMENT PARKS & FACILITIES RULES & POLICIES

- Children under 15 years of age will not be permitted in the Recreation Center after 7:30pm. Exceptions: (1) unless accompanied by a parent/guardian, or (2) unless they are participating in an organized recreation program or activity.

## WEIGHT ROOMS & EQUIPMENT RULES

- Trained staff members are available during hours of operation to instruct members on the proper use of weight and aerobic equipment.
- Weight room and aerobic equipment are only to be used by patrons 15 and over unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Patrons are required to wipe down equipment before and after each use with the supplied disinfectant products.
- Return and re-rack free weights, barbells, and dumbbells to their proper storage place after use.
- Weight room and aerobic equipment are only to be used by patrons 15 years of age and older, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- During peak times, there is a 30-minute maximum time limit on all cardio exercise equipment.

## INDOOR POOL RULES & POLICIES

- Obey the lifeguard at all times.
- No running on the deck
- No diving.
- Two whistle blasts are the signal of an emergency. The pool should be cleared immediately.
- 17 years and older in the lap lane.
- No pushing, dunking, rough play, or foul language.
- No masks, snorkels, noodles, floats, glass, food/drink, or gum in the pool area. Other equipment permitted at discretion of the lifeguard on duty.
- Proper swim attire is required. Cut-off jeans, gym shorts, street attire or thong bathing suits are not permitted.
- Children wearing approved flotation devices must be within an arm's length of a parent or legal guardian.
- Rest periods will be called by the lifeguard, when necessary.
- Patrons are not permitted in the equipment benches. Ask the lifeguard on duty for assistance.
- Patrons are not permitted in the pool area during scheduled classes.
- Children under the age of 15 are not permitted in the spa (whirlpool), sauna, and steam room, unless they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- Children must be 10 years of age or older to be admitted to the pool without a parent or guardian or another adult supervisor.
- Children who are not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper.
- Please ask the lifeguard on duty or the pool manager if you have any questions regarding pool rules or procedures.
- Please check the monthly pool schedule (available at the front desk and online) as the schedule varies from month to month. The lap lane is available during adult and open swim, however, during a class, the pool is only available to those attending the class.

## YOUTH AGE RESTRICTIONS

- Children 6 years of age and older may not use the locker room of the opposite sex. Please use our family locker room located across from the women's locker room entrance.

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- Children under 8 years of age MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian, unless they are enrolled in an organized program.
- Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or guardian while on the indoor track.
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- Weight room and aerobic equipment are only to be used by patrons 15 years of age and older, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- 17 years of age and older to use the lap lane in the indoor pool.
- Children under the age of 15 are not permitted in the spa (whirlpool), sauna, and steam room, unless they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.
- Children must be 10 years of age or older to be admitted to the indoor pool without a parent, guardian or another adult supervisor.

## REFUND POLICY

Program refunds will only be issued for the following circumstances:

- The Berea Recreation Department has canceled the program.
- Health or medical excuse written by physician.

***Memberships are non-refundable and non-transferable.***

## PROGRAM REGISTRATION POLICIES

- Participant(s) must fill out a program registration form, available at the Berea Recreation Center front desk counter and pay the registration fee to be registered for a program, unless the program can be found and registered for online
- Program fees can be paid by cash or check (made out to "The City of Berea") at the Berea Recreation Center front desk.
- Programs that can be registered for online can be found at:  
<https://apm.activecommunities.com/bereaparkandrecreation/Home>
- Credit and debit cards are accepted for everything except concessions or vending.
- Program registrations are taken on a first come first serve basis.
- Most programs have a minimum and maximum number of participants so it is important that you register as soon as possible.
- Registrations will not be accepted after the registration deadline.

***Patrons not following our policies and rules will be asked to leave and memberships may be revoked without a refund.***

## BEREA MUNICIPAL OUTDOOR POOL

85 South Rocky River Drive  
Berea, Ohio 44017

The outdoor pool facility consists of a wading pool that is zero depth entry to 2 1/2 ft. deep. It contains a waterfall mushroom in the shallow end. The large pool ranges from 3 ft. to 5 ft. and has a slide in the 3 ft. section. It has a 12 ft. diving well with a single diving board. Amenities include lounge chairs, bathroom and shower facilities, and concessions. The outdoor pool is open daily 1:00pm to 8:00pm during the summer season.

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- Children must be 10 years of age or older to be admitted to the pool without a parent, guardian, or another adult supervisor.
- Proper swim attire is required; no cut-off jeans, gym shorts, street attire or thong bathing suits.
- Children who are not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper.
- Glass, alcohol, smoking or use of other tobacco products, foul language, in-line skates, skateboards or bikes are not allowed in the pool area.
- Chairs and lounges are for adult use only.
- Floatation devices or toys are not allowed in the large pool.
- No snorkels or facemasks that cover the nose permitted.
- No running throughout the facility.
- No playing on or near the stairs.
- No diving, flipping, pushing, splashing, spitting, dunking, horseplay, or hanging onto the safety ropes.
- Jumping into the pool permitted only from the side white gutters, facing forward, feet first.
- Ringing the bell once indicates break periods; ringing the bell twice indicates emergencies. Except as specified below, all patrons must exit the pool during breaks or emergencies.
- Guests aged 18 years or older and infants under one year of age may remain in the pool during breaks.

## YOUTH AGE RESTRICTIONS

- Children must be 10 years of age or older to be admitted to the pool without a parent or guardian or another adult supervisor.
- Guests aged 18 years or older and infants under one year of age may remain in the pool during breaks.

## BABY POOL RULES

- All General Pool Rules apply.
- An adult or guardian must accompany all children. No exceptions.
- The baby pool is for children shorter than the fence separating the small and large pool.
- Floatation devices and toys are permitted in the baby pool.
- Children wearing approved floatation devices must be within an arm's length of a parent or legal guardian.

## DIVING AREA RULES

- Divers must be able to swim to the side of the pool unassisted in order to jump or dive off of the board.
- Only one person permitted on the board at a time.
- Only one bounce on the diving board is permitted per diver.
- Jump straight off the board, swim quickly to the ladder, and exit the pool.
- The next in line to dive must wait until the first person reaches the ladder before going onto the board.
- Back flips, inward dives and other competitive dives are not permitted.

## SLIDE RULES

- Riders must meet the posted height requirements of 48".
- Maximum weight limit on the slide is 300 pounds.
- Riders are not permitted to wear necklaces or bracelets.
- In order to use the slide, swimsuits may not be embellished with plastic or metal rivets.
- Only one person is permitted on the slide at a time.
- Riders must wait for staff to okay the next rider.

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If you have questions about rules, please speak to the on-site Aquatics Supervisor or the Head Lifeguard.

*Patrons not following our policies and rules will be asked to leave and memberships may be revoked without a refund.*

## CITY OF BEREA PARKS

**Coe Lake Park** - 85 South Rocky River Drive, Berea, Ohio 44017

**Dora Lee Payne Park** - 145 Riveredge Drive, Berea, Ohio 44017

**Jason Malone Park** - 640 Woodmere Drive, Berea, Ohio 44017

**McKelvey Park** - 30 East Bridge Street, Berea, Ohio 44017

**Mucklo Playground** - 85 South Rocky River Drive, Berea, Ohio 44017

**Parknoll Park** - 499 Nobottom Road, Berea, Ohio 44017

**Polish Village Playground** - 66 Adelbert Street, Berea, Ohio 44017

**R.B. Scott Park** - 511 Pearl Street, Berea, Ohio 44017

*While enjoying the many opportunities the park system has to offer, please be aware of the following rules and regulations for park use.*

### GENERAL PARK RULES & POLICIES

- A person may not loiter in any city park or playground.
- The consumption, sale, use, or possession of alcoholic beverages on city park premises is prohibited.
- The consumption, sale, use, or possession of illegal drugs on city park premises is prohibited.
- Fireworks and firearms are prohibited on park premises.
- Hurling, throwing, discharging, firing, or propelling by any means any projectile is prohibited. Prohibited activity includes but is not limited to: golf activities, possession or use of BB guns, pellet guns, air guns, slingshots, bows and arrows and blowguns; and throwing or otherwise propelling stones, darts, knives, spears, and javelins. This does not apply to throwing balls, frisbees, or other similar athletic objects.
- Hunting and trapping of birds, mammals, or reptiles on park premises is prohibited.
- Cutting, picking, or destruction of plant life on park premises is prohibited.
- Vandalism and destruction of property on park premises is prohibited.
- Excessive noise on park premises is prohibited.
- While on park premises, pets must be on a leash and not pose a safety risk to others. Any pet waste must be removed by the pet's owner.
- Pedestrians have the right of way on park trails.
- While on park premises, motorized vehicles are not permitted off roadways and are to park in designated areas only.
- Bicycle and skateboard use on park premises is restricted to roadways, parking lots, and designated areas only.
- No person shall possess, carry, use, or dispose of any glass containers on park premises.
- Littering and dumping of any garbage, trash, refuse, or waste, except in receptacles designed and placed in the parks for such purpose, is prohibited.
- No person shall start or build a fire on park premises, except for the fireplace in the Pavilion at Coe Lake Park
- Camping on park premises is prohibited.
- No person shall peddle, solicit, sell, or offer for sale any food, goods, wares, or merchandise on park premises; except as permitted by the City of Berea.
- A person may not repair or wash a vehicle in a city park.

# BEREA RECREATION DEPARTMENT PARKS & FACILITIES RULES & POLICIES

- A person may not ride upon any equine animal (horse, mule, burro, donkey) or any other animal in any park except in areas designated and posted specifically for such use, or with the expressed written consent of the City of Berea.
- Bathing, camping, sleeping, storing personal belongings or doing laundry in restrooms or other facilities is prohibited.
- Charging for services, including exercise activities, guided hikes, sports and other special interest classes and activities is prohibited, unless prior approval has been granted.
- McKelvey Park fountain operates from 9am to 10pm during summer season hours.

## COE LAKE PARK ADDITIONAL RULES

- Motorized boats and toys are prohibited on Coe Lake except with written authorization by the Mayor or his designee.
- Motorized vehicles and trailers are prohibited on any nonpaved surfaces surrounding Coe Lake except with written authorization by the Mayor or his designee.
- Lifejackets are required to be worn by anyone in/on any watercraft on Coe Lake.
- Swimming is prohibited in Coe Lake.
- Ice fishing is prohibited on Coe Lake.
- Walking or skating on a frozen Coe Lake in the winter is prohibited.
- Feeding and harassment of wildlife is prohibited.
- Please contact the Recreation Department for permits to reserve the Pavilion, Gazebo or Pergola  
<http://www.cityofberea.org/Facilities/Facility/Details/Coe-Lake-18>

## CITY OF BEREA **Playgrounds**

Dora Lee Payne Park - Jason Malone Park - Mucklo Playground - Parknoll Park - Polish Village - R.B. Scott Park  
*Please immediately report any broken equipment to the Berea Recreation Department 440-826-5890.*

## GENERAL PLAYGROUND RULES

- Playground hours are 7am to 10pm.
- All playgrounds are designed and intended for children ages 5-12 years old.
- Adult supervision is recommended.
- Use of playground equipment is at your own risk.
- Proper footwear is required.
- Food and drinks are not allowed on playground equipment.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- Place all trash into appropriate receptacles.
- Improper use of equipment is prohibited.
- Pets, glass containers or smoking in play area are prohibited.
- Please remove bike helmets before utilizing playground equipment.

## MUCKLO PLAYGROUND - BURKE ZIPVENTURE RULES

- Only one rider at a time.
- Do not push another rider while they are on ZipVenture.
- Hang on tight for the entire ride.
- Do not let go of the seat until you have slowed to a safe and stable position to dismount.

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- Take the seat back to the start for the next rider.
- Stay clear of the path while someone is riding.
- Keep hands away from the trolley cable.

Participation in any activities has possible inherent and unforeseen risks, which may include injury or death. Anyone using any of the City of Berea Recreation parks, amenities or facilities must be aware of this fact, assume the risks, and be responsible for taking proper precautions. Precautions to be taken before participating in any activity offered by the City or at any of its parks or facilities include: a physician's examination and health clearance; adequate knowledge of skills; proper training and procedures; and knowledge of all rules and regulations of all City of Berea Recreation Department Parks & Facilities. ***All activities undertaken at all the City of Berea parks or facilities are at the participant's sole risk.***

