

POLICY AND DIRECTIVES			
Swimwear Policy			
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# PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all patrons who use the Norplex Pool wear clothing that meet the requirements set out by this policy to minimize the risk of harm to City of Thompson lifeguards in the event of a drowning and interference with the pool filtration system as set out by the principals of the City of Thompson's SafeOperations risk management program.

### DEFINITIONS

Swimwear – clothing worn for swimming Proper swimwear – clothing made up of lycra fiber or its equivalent.

### POLICY

All users of the Norplex Pool must wear proper swimwear. Failure to do so will result in the patron being asked to change into proper swimwear as defined in this policy.

All considerations shall be made by the City of Thompson and the Aquatics Supervisor to guarantee patrons are not discriminated against based on their protected human rights under the Manitoba Human Rights Code.

### Application of the Policy

- 1. On duty lifequards will be accountable for enforcement of the policy.
- 2. Complaints or special circumstances are to be directed through the Aquatics Supervisor or their designate.
- 3. Patrons may request re-imbursement of fee's if they are unable to meet the requirements of this policy.

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## **Restrictions/Acceptions**

- ✓ If bathing suits are not easily attainable or suitable sportswear or other articles of clothing that prove to be made of lycra are acceptable.
- Cotton t-shirts and cut off jeans are unacceptable and not considered proper swimwear and other clothing of like or similar fibers. These fibers absorbe water and weighing down the swimmer and limiting movement causing a drowning hazard for the patron as well as the lifeguard who may be sent to rescue in the event of a drowning.

# LEGISLATION

- > Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health Act W210
- Manitoba Regualtion 217/2006