

## Northwest Swim Club Weather Policy

Weather can impact the hours that the pool is open or may impact the number of guards on duty.

### **Low Temperatures:**

If the temperature is below 70 ° F and expected attendance will be low, then the pool manager will offer ½ the planned pool staff to reduce the 1<sup>st</sup> shift or end their shift early, if already within the shift. The baby pool will be closed. The pool manager will contact the later shift and ask only two (2) lifeguards to work. The pool manager will be responsible for the call and will close no earlier than 5 PM.

### **Rain and Thunderstorm:**

In the case of intermittent rain or the occasional thunderstorm, then the pool manager will offer ½ the planned pool staff to reduce the 1<sup>st</sup> shift or end their shift early, if already within the shift. The baby pool will be closed. The pool manager will contact the later shift and ask only two (2) lifeguards to work. The pool manager will be responsible for the call and will close no earlier than 5 PM. Thunderstorms require the pool to be vacated and no one can re-enter the pool until 20 minutes after the last thunder. If the thunder continues, the new count of 20 minutes begins again. If it continues longer than 45 minutes, a call will be made by the manager whether to close the pool or continue to wait.

If the inclement weather does not begin until after 3 PM the pool manager will offer ½ of the staff the opportunity to end their shift early. The pool manager will decide on the time to reduce the staff based on current attendance and will close the pool no earlier than 5 PM UNLESS the lightning and thunder are persistent and continues and then the pool closing can be earlier. The baby pool will be closed.

### **Severe Weather and Persistent Thunderstorms:**

This may call for early closing and the pool manager will contact a board member for guidance.