



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

MEDIA RELEASE

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For immediate release

Salmo outdoor pool set to open Monday July 6

Nelson, BC: The Salmo and District outdoor pool will open to the public on Monday July 6th, 2020. The pool will be made available for lap swimming, public swimming and aquafit.

A new set of policies and procedures, following the guidelines and recommendations set out by the provincial health officials, has been developed to minimize the risk of COVID-19 for our Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) employees and patrons. For your safety and those around you, these procedures must be followed in order to keep the pool open.

New protocols include screening by lifeguards prior to entry, physical distancing markers, admission by donation and a maximum capacity of 18 patrons in the pool at one time. Groups of 18 will be limited to 45 minutes in the pool, then lifeguards will ask them to leave through a secondary exit before a new group of 18 is permitted.

Information you should know before coming to the pool:

- If you are sick, stay home
- Shower at home before coming to the pool
- Bring a full water bottle
- Wait in line until it is your turn
- Physical distance of 2 meters at all times
- Do not share equipment
- Viewers and spectators will not be permitted on the pool deck
- Swim times may be limited

Hours of Operation

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday

- 8:00 am – 9:15 am (lap swim)
- 11:15 am – 3:45 pm (public swim)

Thursday

- 8:00 am – 9:45 am (lap swim)
- 10:00 am – 11:00 am (aquafit)
- 1:00 pm – 3:45 pm (public swim)

Friday

- 1:00 pm – 2:45 pm (public swim)
- 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm (Pre-registered fun swim – organized activities for ages 7-12)
- 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm (public swim)

Saturday/Sunday

- 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm (public swim)

The [Nelson Neptunes](#) and [Castlegar Aquanauts](#) Swim Clubs will also have dedicated time slots throughout the week for their summer swim programs. The Neptunes also offer a Masters Swim Club.

Nelson Neptunes Swim Club Hours

Monday - 9:30 am – 11:00 am

Tuesday - 9:30 am – 11:00 am and 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Wednesday - 9:30 am – 11:00 am

Thursday – 11:15 am – 12:45 pm and 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Nelson Neptunes Masters Swim Club Hours

Tuesday and Thursday – 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm

Castlegar Aquanauts Swim Club Hours

Monday and Wednesday – 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

We appreciate the patience of all our users as we implement services with COVID-19 policies and procedures in place.

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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