## **Pool Admission Standard is a Provincial Law That Pools Must Follow.**

The recreational swim admission standard is applied to all recreational swims. Aquatic staff may ask a participant for a demonstration of their ability if they feel there is a question of personal safety.

To successfully pass the facility swim test, individuals must:

- Swim on their front for one width of the pool successfully with his/her face in the water.
- Must be a recognizable stroke.
- Swimmers must maintain a regular, comfortable breathing pattern and must not stop during the entire distance.

Ages 0-7	<ul> <li>STOP</li> <li>Children must be within arms reach of a guardian (14 yrs+) at all times, regardless of swimming ability.</li> <li>Children age 7 and under may not be admitted to the swimming pool unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian (14 yrs+).</li> <li>One guardian is required for every two children (1:2).</li> </ul>	Age 14+ Age 7 & Under Within arms reach in water.
Ages 8-9	<ul> <li>CAUTION</li> <li>Children age 8 and 9 who successfully complete the facility swim test may swim independently of their guardian (14 yrs+).</li> </ul>	Age 8 & 9 complete swim test.
	<ul> <li>Children age 8 and 9 who cannot successfully complete the facility swim test must stay within arms reach of their guardian (14 yrs+).</li> <li>One guardian is required for every two children (1:2).</li> </ul>	Age 14+ Within arms reach in water. Age 8 & 9 I I I I Red Band
	<ul> <li>One guardian may supervise up to five children ages 8 &amp; 9 wearing lifejackets (1:5).</li> </ul>	Age 14+ Within arms reach in water.
Ages 10+	<ul> <li>GO</li> <li>Children age 10 and older may enter the pool area independent of their guardian. Swimming with a buddy is strongly recommended.</li> </ul>	Age 10+

Public Pools Regulation, Under the Health Protection and Promotion Act Reg. 565.s.17.21. Lifesaving Society's Guide to Ontario Public Pools Regulations, Section 17.

