



Child Watch Area

Hours of Operation:

Monday through Thursday

8am-12pm; 3:30-7:30pm

Friday

8am-12pm; 3:30-7pm

Saturday

9am-12pm

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*Hours are subject to change.

All changes will be posted at the
Front Desk and Child Watch Area.

Child Watch Guidelines

General:

The Child Watch area provides a limited duration sitting service for members while they are using the Aquatic & Fitness Center. We welcome children from 6 months through 10 years of age. The maximum stay is 2 consecutive hours per child, per visit. At least one parent or guardian must be present in the Aquatic & Fitness Center at all times, while your child is in the Child Watch Area.

While in the Child Watch Area, children are directly supervised at all times. We have an assortment of books, toys, games, projects and activities for your child to enjoy. It is advised that no personal games and toys be brought from home. The Aquatic & Fitness Center cannot be responsible for anything lost or stolen. If bringing personal necessities from home (sippy cups, pacifiers, jackets, etc.), we encourage that you clearly label these items with your child's first and last name. These items will be stored in individual cubbies when not in use.

Unhappy children are never forced to stay in the child watch area. We will come find parents if any child remains upset for more than 15-20 continuous minutes.

Please make sure your child is changed/or used the restroom before checking them into the Child Watch Area. A changing station and restroom are located in the Child Watch Area, so Aquatic & Fitness Center staff can assist children as needed. Parents must provide their own wipes and diapers in a clearly labeled bag or container. Please provide spare clothes, clearly labeled as well.

Check-In/Out Procedures:

For the safety and protection of every child, it is imperative that each parent follows the proper sign in and sign out procedures. Regardless of age, every child is required to be checked in and out. Children within our care will only be given to those parents/guardians who signed them in, unless advanced notice is given. Staff may ask for a photo ID.

Staff:

Staff members are chosen for their skill with children. All staff is trained and certified in CPR, First Aid and AED. Parents are immediately notified should an emergency occur.

It is our goal to have a safe, clean, and happy environment.

We want the kids to look forward to return visits.

Questions/Comments: Ryan Windell, Activity Director

843-281-3744 or rewindell@nmb.us

Child Watch Guidelines

Fees for Child Watch Area:

All payments for Child Watch are made at the Customer Service Desk.

Monthly: \$25.00 per each individual child.

The payment must be designated for a specific child and cannot be used on multiple children from the same family on alternating visits.

Each month starts on the first day and ends on the last.

Fees are not be pro-rated.

Punch Card: \$40.00 for 20 hours.

For your convenience we ask that Punch Cards be utilized when purchasing child watch services on a daily, per visit basis. The punch card is valid for one year from date of purchase and may be used on multiple children from the same family.

Per Visit: \$3.00 per hour per child

This option is available for non-members utilizing a Daily

Guest Pass or a Daily Visitor Pass. *Please note that ALL children utilizing the Child Watch Area MUST be a member of the AFC. The Child Watch fee is paid in addition to a Daily Visitor fee for the child or the use of a Guest Pass for the child.

**If your current membership is a Family or Parent/Child Membership package, any children between the ages of 5 & 10 years included on that membership do not pay for the use of Child Watch.*

Discipline Policy:

The following skills are the basic guidelines for successful participation in the Child Watch Program: follow and accept direction and structure as necessary; take turns and share in a cooperative manner; respect others and their property. The Aquatic & Fitness Center staff is committed to providing a structured environment that offers encouragement, assists in problem solving, offer realistic choices and avoids threatening situations. The following behaviors are considered unacceptable and may result in your child being removed from the Child Watch program: hitting, fighting, causing physical harm, profanity or verbal assault, temper tantrums, biting, spitting, disrespect to Center staff, refusal to cooperate, and disregard for AFC policies and procedures. At the time of an incident the parent will be immediately notified and the child must be removed from the program for the remainder of the day. The second incident will result in a multi-day suspension from Child Watch privileges to allow time for behavior modification.

*The Aquatic & Fitness Center reserves the right to suspend or expel a child from Child Watch services based on continued behavioral problems.

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Food and Beverage:

Food **is not** allowed within the Child Watch area so please be sure your child is fed before checking them in. Drinks may be brought into the room in spill-proof containers, clearly labeled with your child's name.

Medication:

Medication will not be administered by Aquatic & Fitness Center staff. Please see to these needs before checking your child into the Child Watch Area. You may administer medications yourself while you are at the Center.

Health Information:

- Each child must have current immunizations. A copy of the immunizations must be presented, to keep on file, the first time the child is checked into the Child Watch Area
- A healthy and safe environment is extremely important to the staff of the Aquatics & Fitness Center. We ask for your cooperation and courtesy in not sending a child who shows signs of illness or has an infectious disease.
- Please keep your child at home when the following occur:
 - * Evidence of vomiting and/or diarrhea
 - * Symptoms of a fresh cold
 - * Runny nose, cough, or earache
 - * Fever
 - * Sore Throat
 - * Discharging eyes or ears
 - * Swollen hands or feet
 - * A tongue that is redder than usual and looks like a strawberry
 - * Unidentified rash or skin eruptions
- If a child is unable to attend school or has been released early from school due to illness, please respect other children by keeping them at home.
- Shoes are required in the Child Watch area at all times.
- Parent/guardians are to disinfect children's hands upon entry to the Child Watch area. Hand sanitizing stations and a restroom are available in the Child Watch area.