
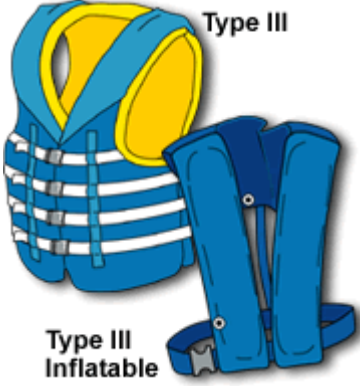


Appendix A - Suggested Coast Guard Approved PFDs

Pictures of PFDs	Descriptions of PFDs
 <p>Type II</p>	<p>TYPE II: Near-Shore Vest These vests are good for calm waters and fast rescues. Type II vests may lack the capacity to turn unconscious wearers face up.</p>
 <p>Type III</p> <p>Type III Inflatable</p>	<p>TYPE III: Flotation Aid These vests or full-sleeved jackets are good for calm waters and fast rescues. They are not for rough waters since they will not turn a person face up.</p>

Appendix B - Sample PFD Policy

This sample policy has been prepared as a convenience to our members and is intended only as a template to guide preparation of your own policy and not as legal advice. As such, it may require modification depending on the scope of your agency's staffing, equipment, operations, programs and facilities. You should always contact your agency's corporate counsel before adopting any policy and/or associated procedure to make certain you have appropriately modified a template to address your agency's specific needs, and to obtain qualified legal guidance for implementing and administering your agency's policies.

Park District of Oak Park Personal Flotation Device (PFD) Use Policy

In an effort to save lives through drowning prevention, it is the policy of Park District of Oak Park to allow the use of agency provided, U.S. Coast Guard approved, Type II or Type III personal flotation devices (PFDs) at agency owned aquatic facilities. This PFD policy shall be supported through the establishment of a PFD program which will specify how to maximize the benefits of these potentially lifesaving devices. The professional staff will administer the PFD program by developing and periodically reviewing guidelines and rules for PFD use by the public at agency owned aquatic facilities.

Appendix C - Sample PFD Inspection Form

Park District of Oak Park Weekly PFD Inspection Form

Facility/Location: _____

Inspected by: _____ Date: _____
(Signature)

Inspect PFD for cuts, tears, torn seams, damaged snaps or zippers, damaged or missing straps, damaged, missing or non-functional buckles or fasteners, or for any other signs of damage.

X = Passed inspection;
Good to excellent condition

O = Fails inspection;
Unit removed from service

PFD inventory by unit number

	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10
fabric										
floats										
straps										
clasps										
other										

Comments:

Appendix D - Sample PFD Rules Sign

Park District of Oak Park Lifejacket Use Rules

"Use lifejackets at your own risk"

A LIFEJACKET WILL NOT KEEP A PATRON FROM DROWNING AND DOES NOT SUBSTITUTE FOR APPROPRIATE SWIMMING SKILLS AND/OR ADULT SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN. Adult patrons and parents/guardians of minor patrons are solely responsible for determining that the lifejacket is the proper size and fit, and that they are properly adjusted and worn.

- All children using a lifejacket must be supervised by an adult in the pool **within arms reach** at all times. A lifejacket is not a babysitter.
- Lifeguards and other aquatic staff are not responsible for assessing patron swimming skills or ensuring that patrons properly wear lifejackets.
- The (agency name) will make a reasonable attempt to provide lifejackets upon request for children 3 years of age and older and at least 40 pounds, through adult sizes.
- Lifejacket straps must be secured and the lifejacket must fit snugly. To check for a good fit, gently attempt to pick up the wearer by the shoulders of the lifejacket. If the lifejacket fits right, the wearer's chin and ears will not slip through. Whenever a lifejacket is removed during your visit, it should be refit before it used again, even by the same person.
- Individuals wearing lifejackets are not permitted on the slides or diving boards
- Do not alter the lifejackets.
- Do not put heavy objects, sit, stand or kneel on the lifejackets.
- Return lifejackets to Rehm and/or Ridgeland Common. Hang with appropriate color when finished using.
- Only lifejackets provided by this facility are allowed. Personal lifejackets or other floatation devices are not allowed.