

SWIMMING AND WATER CRAFT POLICY

JANUARY 2017

SWIMMING:

- Parental, participant or agent consent must be obtained for any swimming activity;
- Staff and participants will follow all rules of the facility/location when swimming in guarded areas or facilities;
- Program participants may participate in swimming activity in unregulated/unguarded areas with the following conditions:
 - Consent has been received from the parent, participant and/or their agent;
 - At least two CVCDA staff members are present; are in swimming attire and are confident of their swimming skills;
 - A “buddy” system is in place for all participants. No participant is to enter the water on their own.
 - A life saving/rescue device (e.g. flotation device) is available on site;
 - A cell phone and vehicle are available for emergencies;
 - Conditions for swimming are favourable.

WATER CRAFT:

- Written consent must be obtained from parents, participants and/or agents (as appropriate) for all water craft activities;
- The operator of the craft must have a Pleasure Craft Operator Card
- PFD's must be worn by all on board
- Safety equipment must be available on board
- Conditions must be favorable.
- Kayaking, SUP, canoeing or other water craft activities must only be undertaken with the guidance of an approved operator or business