

# Aquatic Challenger Pool Parties

## Terms and Conditions 2025-2026

### General

- Aquatic Challengers are available at Charlestown, Speers Point, Swansea and West Wallsend Swim Centres. **Online bookings are not finalised until Swim Centre staff contact you via email or phone and confirm your online request.**
- Aquatic Challenger hire - during usual centre operating hours - where available, may be booked for children's birthday parties and similar, and may be subject to certain days and times around program schedules with allowance for public recreational swimming space.
- Aquatic Challenger hire bookings are for exclusive use of the Aquatic Challenger and includes water safety supervision and pool usage space for the float. A minimum booking of one hour with a minimum of ten (10) people applies. Additional people are permitted, with a maximum number per booking subject to safety and the Swim Centre Team Leaders discretion at the time of booking. Applicable entry fees per person (e.g. bulk entry) applies in addition to the Aquatic Challenger hire fee. Children's birthday party packages may be offered.
- Aquatic Challenger – parties -for parties with more than 10 children, the additional cost per child is the 'Aquatic Challenger-parties-per additional person fee'.
- Aquatic Challenger hire is not available on public holidays.
- Aquatic Challengers scheduled for public use at certain times may be used by all Swim Centre patrons who have paid the applicable entry fee and aquatic challenger public session fee.

### Participant Requirements

- The minimum age for children allowed on the Aquatic Challenger is 6 years old (no exceptions).
- The maximum age for children allowed on the Aquatic Challenger is 16 years old (no exceptions).
- Additional restrictions apply at West Wallsend Swim Centre. Participants must be no taller than 160cm and aged between 6 and 12 years old (no exceptions).
- A swim test is required prior to participation on the Aquatic Challenger. The distance required to swim to pass the test is 15 metres unassisted. Under no circumstances can floatation aids be used. No assistance from other swimmers or stopping along the way is permitted during the swim test.
- No floatation aids are permitted on the Aquatic Challenger under any circumstances.

### Aquatic Challenger Fees

- The Aquatic Challenger hire fee is \$214 for the first hour (a minimum of 10 people is required – applicable entry fees per person applies).
- The Aquatic Challenger party package is \$321 this includes 1.5 hours exclusive use of the float as well as entry for 10 people. For parties with more than 10 people, the additional cost is \$11 per person. The spectator fee is \$3.20.
- An additional lifeguard is required for any bookings with large groups (50 or more participants). The fee for the additional lifeguard is \$69 per 60 minutes.
- The Aquatic Challenger can be booked in additional half hour increments. The fee per subsequent 30 minutes is \$107. For large groups, a minimum 2-hour Aquatic Challenger hire is recommended.
- A deposit of \$65 is required to confirm any Aquatic Challenger hire bookings.
- The deposit will be deducted from the total amount, with the remaining balance due on the day of the party.
- The deposit is non-refundable for cancellations with less than 7 days' notice.
- Deposits are refundable or transferable if the Swim Centre is required to cancel a booking due to unsafe weather conditions.
- Changes to numbers must be confirmed at least 48 hours before the party date, or the full amount booked and ordered will be charged or deducted from the booking deposit.
- Additional fees apply for the use of West Wallsend Swim Centre's multipurpose room. Room hire is \$48 per hour.
- Aquatic Challenger hire fee where booked outside usual centre hours, is in addition to the applicable Centre Hire fee, and applicable entry fee per person (e.g. bulk entry).

### Catering Options

- Catering packages are available for a minimum of 10 people. Catering includes the selection of one or two (from four) hot options to be served to your party group, a serve small serve of hot chip, a fruit drink box and an ice block per person.
- Enquire with the Swim Centre for prices.
- Catering packages are not available at West Wallsend Swim Centre.
- Catering requirements must be confirmed at least 72 hours prior to the day of the party or the full amount booked and ordered will be charged or taken from the booking deposit.
- BBQs and picnic tables may be available on the day but will not be reserved