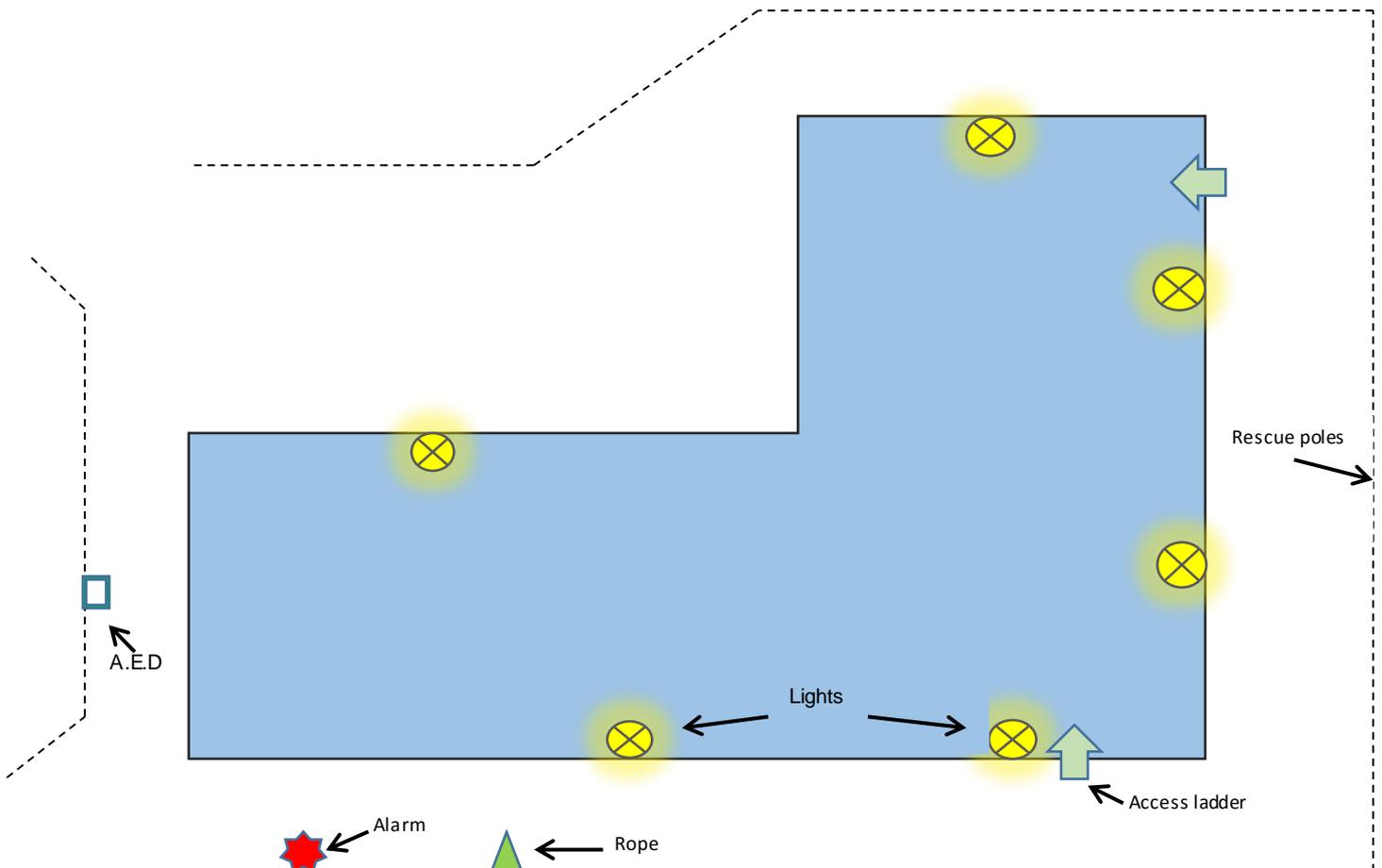


# POOL SAFETY OPERATING PROCEDURES

## BARTON CAMP OPEN AIR POOL

### NORMAL OPERATING PLAN (NOP)

#### POOL DETAILS



Barton Camp pool is L shaped and has a maximum depth of 1.4 metres (4ft 7ins).

There are 2 sets of steps for access to and egress from the deeper parts of the pool,

The shallow end is marked and is 0.5 metres deep. There is an emergency pool button to assist in the evacuation of pool users.

Emergency equipment includes: - A throwing rope, a reaching pole and a defibrillator.

There are signs to inform hirers of dangerous activities that must not take place.

The use of the slide should be carefully managed to avoid collisions and accidents.

### **POTENTIAL RISK**

Entrance and exit from the pool should be carefully managed to ensure safety.

Pool filters and drains should be checked to ensure they are secure and in good condition to avoid accidents.

Pool side should be clear of clutter to avoid trip hazards.

The Supervisor in charge should maintain a good position to see all the pool at all times to afford assistance to users if necessary.

### **DEALING WITH BATHERS**

The following activities MUST **NOT** be allowed:-

Diving or Jumping into the pool.

Running on the poolside.

Fighting or Ducking in the pool or on the pool surround.

Acrobatics in the pool or on the poolside.

Eating and / or chewing gum.

Petting.

Smoking (The whole site is a NO SMOKING site)

Acting in a reckless manner or without consideration for other peoples' safety.

Excessive splashing of Bathers or Pool staff.

Foul or abusive language.

Excessive underwater swimming.

Shouting, screaming or splashing excessively in the pool.

The use of the swimming pool after sunset without the lighting on and fully functional.

**Note: This includes surround lighting directed at the pool and immediate pool surround**

## **OPERATIONAL SYSTEMS.**

The maximum number of Bathers is **40**.

All Hirers should provide their own First- Aid Kit.

All accidents **MUST** be recorded in the accident book kept by the Defibrillator.

Operation of the pool cover will be shown during the handover procedure by a member of Barton Camp staff.

**NEVER** operate the pool cover with Bathers in the pool and ensure the Steps are pulled up out of the pool.

The Pool alarm system will be shown to Hirers by the Barton Camp member of Staff. This should be tested before **EVERY** session in the pool.

Bathers should be instructed to vacate the pool and stand clear of the water on every sounding of the alarm, awaiting instructions from the Supervisor.

## **EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN (EAP)**

1. Overcrowding should not be a problem as each Hirer is in control of their own clients.
2. Disorderly Behavior should not be tolerated and dealt with by exclusion.
3. Swimming sessions should NOT be undertaken if there is a threat of thunder and lightning.
4. Lack of Water Clarity may have Hygiene implications and therefore the pool should not be used, and the Barton Camp member of staff informed as a matter of urgency. Pool lights must be used when swimming as dusk approaches.
5. In the event of a fire or bomb threat, an alarm will be sounded. Supervisors should get the Bathers out and evacuated to the fire assembly point. Bathers should NOT be allowed to enter buildings to retrieve their clothes. It is suggested that Bathers take their towels to the pool to use in such circumstances.
6. In the event of any form of structural or lighting failure the pool should not be used and reported as soon as reasonably practical to the Barton Camp member of Staff.
7. In the unlikely event of Toxic Gasses being emitted, bathers should be immediately evacuated to an assembly point upwind of the affected area.
8. In the event of a serious injury or the discovery of a casualty in the water, the Supervisor will get all Bathers to vacate the pool and a decision made as to whether the emergency services are required and/or the casualty receives First Aid. The Post Code is displayed on the pool side for phone calls to the emergency services. Any such accident MUST be reported to the Barton Camp member of staff and written into the accident book.