



Bather-to-Lifeguard Ratio & Pool Capacity

Bather-to-Lifeguard Ratio

The following ratios are recommendations of the Lifesaving Society of New Brunswick to help ensure the safety of all bathers. The ratios are the minimum standard for the YMCA Fredericton:

Minimum Number of Lifeguards on Duty	Number of Bathers on Deck & in Pool*
1	0-30
2	31-60
3	61-100
4	101-140
5	141-188

*deck means the area immediately surrounding a public pool.

Note: Where there are assistant lifeguards and lifeguards on duty, the ratio of lifeguards to assistant lifeguards shall never exceed 1 lifeguard to 2 assistant lifeguards.

The bather-to-lifeguard ratio represents a minimum standard. Circumstances (ie Family Swims) may require more lifeguards to be on duty to maintain a safe level of supervision. It allows for increase awareness allowing the lifeguard to focus on their tasks for constant surveillance and therefore less of a change of incidents.

Pool Capacity

The following capacities are calculated based on the recommendations of the Lifesaving Society of New Brunswick to help ensure the safety of all bathers.

The maximum capacity for the Leisure Pool is 30-55.

55 members (3'8" shallow)

30 members (5'5" deep)

The maximum capacity for the Lap Pool is 130.

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