

NEW WATERFORD COMMUNITY UPDATE

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CORONAVIRUS

Dear Residents,

As we continue to learn more about coronavirus (COVID-19) and the global outbreak, we encourage all of you to follow guidelines set forth by our leaders and healthcare professionals.

A decision was made to close access to the pool and all amenities in addition to the Master Clubhouse until further notice in an effort to contain or slow the spread of the virus by taking these preventative measures.

While you may believe that the pools are a safe place to be due to the sanitation of the water, the issue is not so much the pools themselves but everything surrounding the use of the pools. For example, we cannot keep touch points such as the bathrooms, chaise lounges, chairs, tables, gate latches, etc., etc. sanitized to the extent required to help limit transmission. The other issue is people being in close proximity to one another and possibly passing the virus through the air. This is the issue at the beaches and why the local counties closed the beaches and other public facilities.

Researchers from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases found the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 can stay viable and infectious in droplets in the air for at least three hours, and on plastic and steel surfaces after three days. Many other condominium associations are closing or have already closed all their amenities.

The impacts of this virus are very aggravating and frustrating, and all the actions related to it are unpleasant. However, if we remain diligent, understand that all these actions are in place to protect everyone and support all the government recommendations to reduce infection and transmission, we will together get through this sooner than later and in good health. We will reopen the Association facilities as soon as it is deemed appropriate to do so.

In the meantime, we hope you all will "Be Kind, Be Calm and Be Safe!"

Respectfully,

The Board of Directors