

# **The University of Texas at Tyler**

## **The Louise Herrington Patriot Center Policies and Procedures**

### **I. General Statement**

The University of Texas at Tyler (“University”) Patriot Center fitness and recreation facility (“Center”) was created for the use of the University’s students, faculty, and staff and their husbands, wives, and children. Additionally, community members are welcomed to the Center. Those students, community members, faculty, and staff and their husbands, wives, and children who are at least eighteen years of age are hereinafter referred to as “Adult Users” and those who are less than eighteen years of age are referred to as “Minor Users”. The use of the Center is a privilege. Users assume all risk associated with the use of the Center’s facilities and equipment. The University does not provide instructions in the use of the equipment of facilities of the Center. All Users must execute a release each semester in order to obtain a Center ID card. All Adult users must execute the release form for adults, and minors must have the release form for Minor Users executed by their adult parent or legal guardian. Each User must abide by the following Policies and Procedures. For non-students, failure to comply with any of the following Policies and Procedures can result in the loss of the privilege to use the Center. For students, failure to comply with any of the following Policies and Procedures will face the Judicial Board.

### **II. Policies and Procedures for Center Use**

#### **1. General Policies**

- University and Center personnel are not responsible for injury or death of Users that result from the use of equipment or facilities, except to the extent provided by Chapter 101, Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code.
- University and Center personnel are not responsible for theft of or damage to Users’ personal property even if placed in a Center locker
- No food or beverages, other than bottled water, are permitted in Center
- For the health of all employees, students, and visitors, smoking/tobacco, including electronic cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or electronic nicotine delivery system use is prohibited in Center
- No alcoholic beverages of any kind are permitted in the Center or on Campus
- No gum chewing is permitted in the Center
- No profanity, horseplay, damage or defacement of Center property or equipment will be tolerated
- A User who damages Center property or equipment will not be eligible to use the Center until payment has been made for all such damages
- Users must abide by the separate policies and procedures pertaining to each area used
- All Users are required to have a current Center ID card

- Guests of Users or the general community may use the Center for a fee of \$5/day
- Children under 16 years of age MUST be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times and may only use the gymnasium, swimming pool, tennis courts, racquetball courts, and track when these areas are designated as open for free play or use by children under 16 years of age
- Children may attend fitness classes with parental supervision.
- The Herrington Patriot Center does not provide childcare services. **Children under 16 years of age may not wait in the facility for parents while they work out**
- The Adult User who signed the release form for a Minor User is responsible for payment for any damage or loss of equipment and/or balls checked out for use by a Minor User
- Memberships are available in limited quantity to the general public
- Family memberships are limited to family members under 21 years of age. Family members 21 years of age and up must purchase their own membership

## 2. Check-in Procedures

- Each User of the Center is required to present their Center ID card at the check-in desk before entering the facility
- Each User may only enter and exit the Center through the front doors located near the check-in desk

## 3. Equipment Check-out Procedures

- Users may check out equipment by turning in a current Center ID card to the staff member working at the check-in desk and filling out any necessary check-out forms
- Once checked-out, the User is responsible for the equipment/balls. If damaged, lost or stolen, the User must pay the cost of replacement of that particular piece of equipment/balls. All use of the Center will be cancelled until payment is received

## 4. Lockers

- Lockers in the locker room can be reserved for a semester in the membership office
- University and Center staff are not responsible for personal items placed in lockers
- Once a locker reservation has expired, any remaining contents will be removed and placed in storage for a period of 1 month to be reclaimed
- The Herrington Patriot Center is NOT responsible for any content still remaining in the lockers after expiration of the term -- All remaining items not claimed after 1 month will be given to Goodwill in Tyler
- If you use your own lock, keep our lock in your locker until you are done with it
- HPC Staff may access your locker at any time

## 5. Personal Training

- No outside personal trainers allowed to train clients inside the facility
- Training sessions will begin promptly at the scheduled time agreed upon by the client and trainer
- If the client is late the session will not be extended beyond the agreed end time
- The trainer should be notified at least 24 hours in advance if you need to cancel or reschedule a training session. Failure to cancel within this time frame or failure to show up for a session will result in the client being charged for a session

## 6. Free-Weight and Resistance Training Area

- Only closed-toe shoes may be worn (no sandals, flip flops, etc.)

- Use a spotter when lifting free weights
- Use a weight belt when performing heavy lifts
- Do not rearrange equipment
- Do not carry weights to other areas of the Center
- Return all weights to the proper storage space after use
- Carry a hand towel to wipe away any sweat on equipment after use
- Store bags and personal items in a locker or out of the way
- Wear full t-shirts, fitness apparel, or tank tops with shorts or fitness pants at waist level (no denim or thong style leotards)
- No children under 16 years of age allowed

## **7. Cardio Area**

- Limit use of each piece of cardio equipment to 1 hour if others are waiting
- Headphones for Cardio-Theater may be rented from the check-in desk
- TV channels for the Cardio-Theater are preset and may be changed only by Center personnel
- Only closed-toe shoes may be worn (no sandals, flip flops, etc.)
- Do not rearrange equipment
- Wear full t-shirts, fitness apparel, or tank tops with shorts or fitness pants at waist level (no denim or thong style leotards)
- Carry a hand towel to wipe away any sweat on equipment after use
- No children under 16 years of age allowed

## **8. Gymnasium**

- Equipment/balls may be checked out at the check-in desk
- Wear full t-shirts, fitness apparel, or tank tops with shorts or fitness pants at waist level (no denim or thong style leotards)
- All Shoes should be athletic and non-marking
- All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

## **9. "Aerobics" Room**

- Wear full t-shirts, fitness apparel, or tank tops with shorts or fitness pants at waist level (no denim or thong style leotards)
- All shoes should be athletic and non-marking
- All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.
- Bring a hand towel and bottled water to classes
- Switch all cellular phones and other devices to silent mode during classes

## **10. Pool and Pool Deck**

- Only modest and proper swimming attire may be worn in the pool and on the pool deck (no street clothes in the pool; no thong style swim suits on deck or in pool). All swim wear should have a liner.
- Small Children should use a swim diaper when in the pool.
- All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.
- Shower before entering pool
- **NO DIVING**

- **NO SMOKING IN OR AROUND THE POOL/ HUT TUB AREA**
- Do not use tanning oil if entering water. Protective, waterproof lotions are allowed

### **11. Racquetball Courts**

- Courts may be reserved up to one day in advance
- Reservations may be made in person or by telephoning the check-in desk and leaving your name and a telephone number
- The User who reserves the court must be one of the players using the court
- Reserved court use is limited to one hour
- If all courts are reserved up to one day in advance, a waiting list will be kept at the check-in desk
- If unable to keep a reservation, please call the check-in desk to cancel and make the court available to someone else. Two failures to keep a reservation without proper cancellation of the reservation will result in a one month suspension of racquetball reservation privileges
- **All** children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.
- Wear protective eyewear
- All shoes should be athletic and non-marking
- Only use non-marking racquetballs

### **12. Track**

- Academic wing doors are off limits. Please do not enter.
- Only closed toed shoes may be worn. (No sandals, Flip-flops, etc.)
- Please follow the designated daily direction of the track. Clockwise on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Counterclockwise on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- **All** children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent at all times.

### **13. Lost and Found**

If items are found that are not yours, please turn them into the check-in desk or other Center personnel. If not claimed by the owner after 1 month, they will be turned over to the University Police Department. If looking for a lost item, please come to the check-in desk, describe the item, fill out a lost and found slip, and Center personnel will determine whether such an item has been turned in.