



Swim Orientation Form

Thank you for your interest in swimming your dog at The Essex Animal Hospital. Swimming is by appointment only -- WE DO NOT OFFER DROP IN SWIMMING.

Our salt water pool is a dog pool and has been designed with your dog's fun, comfort, relaxation, therapy and safety in mind. We have gone the extra mile to make it a place that your dog will want to be. As your dog's caregiver, we also want you to feel at home here, so we have also made the place human-friendly! It is however a potentially dangerous environment, so we have to take every precaution to minimize the hazards.

Please fill out the registration form and let us know if your dog has a problem that might be exacerbated by swimming or has experienced something in the past that might make him/her very fearful of a pool. Please give us as much information as possible and add anything to the registration form that you think might be relevant. We would rather be safe, than sorry. Sadly it is not possible for us to obtain insurance for anything terrible that may happen to your dog in the pool - the risk is entirely yours. We want you to know that our rules and health and safety procedures are the same as you'd encounter at any public pool. We have done everything in our power to make our pool safe - the rest is up to you.

Please be careful. Please watch your dog at all times. Please ask if you don't understand anything. We are here to help. Please read the "Practical Guide" which walks you through what to do next. If you have any questions, just ask!