

FISH CREEK PROVINCIAL PARK

Sikome Aquatic Facility

Operating Season

The fenced Sikome aquatic facility is open seasonally for approximately 80 days from mid-June to the September long weekend. Opening date varies each year.

Aquatic Facility Hours

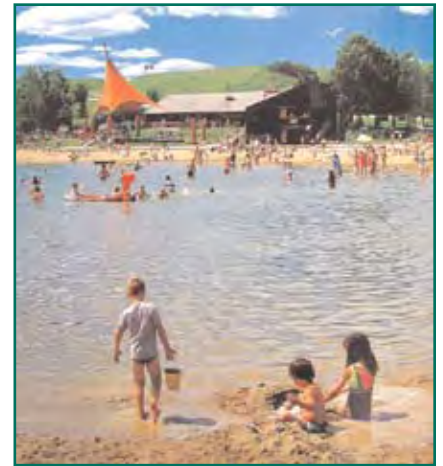
Open daily from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., seven days a week during operating season.

Road Access

The Sikome aquatic facility can be accessed by Bow Bottom Trail S.E. or Sun Valley Boulevard S.E. off Highway 22x.

Regulations

- Parents must be within arm's reach of children under 12.
- Alcohol is prohibited in all areas of the Park.
- Glass containers are prohibited in the lake area.
- No pets are permitted to enter Park buildings, public beaches and swimming areas with the exception of *bona fide* Guide and Assisted Living Dogs. Pets may enter other areas of the park if restrained on a leash.
- Propane gas barbeques area permitted on the grassed areas within the Sikome Aquatic Facility. Briquette barbeques are restricted to sites such as picnic areas with fire rings for hot coal disposal.
- No bike-riding, rollerblading, skateboarding or scooters in the lake area and associated pathways. Bikes may be parked on racks at the north end of the site.
- Water masks and snorkels are prohibited in the lake.
- We would ask all patrons to respect the health and safety of others and refrain from smoking within the fenced area.



Safety

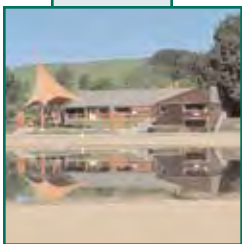
In the event of an emergency please stay clear of the accident area.

A first-aid station is located in the main swim centre open daily from 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. When the south parking lot is open, an alternate first-aid station is available (see map on reverse side).

During hours of operation a minimum compliment of aquatic safety staff are on duty. Aquatic safety staff are NOT traditional pool lifeguards - YOU USE THIS FACILITY AT YOUR OWN RISK.

Aquatic Safety Staff

- Provide public education and patrol beach.
- Search for missing persons, provide first aid and water rescues.



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The Sikome aquatic facility is very populated during the summer months. To ensure the safety and protection of all visitors, procedures and rules must be followed. We appreciate your cooperation.



Parking

Two parking lots are provided, the north and south parking lots. Access to parking lots is controlled by signage to lessen congestion. Please follow directions on signs or from staff on site.

Water Quality

Sikome is classified as a “man-made beach”. Three fresh water wells supply the water for Sikome. No water is taken from the Bow River. An on location water treatment plant ensures good water quality. Every Tuesday, Park staff take six water samples from different areas in the lake. The samples are analyzed at the Foothills hospital and results are forwarded to the Calgary Health Region and the Park. Water quality criteria for man-made beaches and public swimming pools are not the same.

Lake Closure

During the year Sikome Lake may have emergency closures implemented for safety reasons such as overcrowding or weather hazards. We appreciate your cooperation during these times and apologize for any inconvenience it may cause you.

Conservation Officers

Park Conservation Officers are appointed peace officers empowered to enforce the Parks Act and other Provincial Statutes. They are present on-site during Sikome operating hours.

Concession Hours

Open daily according to posted hours depending on the weather and use levels of the aquatic facility during operating season.