



# SWIMMING AND BATHING RULES

*Swimming and Bathing rules drawn up on the basis of an official order and following risk and hazard analysis.*

*Status: June 2023, subject to change without notice*

*Camping Brunner is located directly on Lake Millstatt. The entire camping grounds - including lawn and beach (in the following "the Beach") - is private property of Camping Brunner. Use of the Beach is reserved for Camping Brunner guests exclusively.*

## **Natural body of water**

Lake Millstatt is a natural body of surface water, and the Camping Brunner Beach only to a limited extent can be considered as a swimming bath in the sense of OENORM standard EN 15288-2, chapters 3 and 4: swimming bath, private use, type 2. Please note that bathing/swimming in a natural body of water, as well as the use of facilities like piers, etc., poses dangers and risks, which can be avoided our guests applying an appropriate level of caution and properly assessing their own capabilities.

## **HAZARD WARNINGS - INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

It is mandatory for you to strictly comply with the Austrian bathing regulations and these Swimming and Bathing Rules. Instructions of the staff must be followed without reservation.

- **Attention - No Beach guard**
- **Parents are responsible for their children**
- **Use and bathing/swimming at your own risk**
- **Entering the water only from the marked area**
- **Beach and lawn not illuminated at night!**

## **Never endanger or harass others**

Refrain from any activity that could endanger or harass others. Do not pollute our environment. Respect the need of other guests to spend their holidays in a quiet surrounding. Bathing/swimming only in normal bathing clothes; nude bathing prohibited.

## **Danger of drowning (shore area and lake)**

Use of the Beach at your own risk. There is no Beach supervision. The lakebed slopes, deep waters are not closed or marked. **Danger to life for non-swimmers!** Parents are responsible for their children! **Children under 8 years of age are** only allowed to enter or use the Beach area if accompanied by a responsible person. Non-swimmers are not allowed to cross a narrow shore area in the direction of deeper waters. Camping Brunner does not supervise minors, persons with special needs and non-swimmers.

## **Risk of slipping, falling and injury in the shore area**

Use the marked area to enter the lake. Explicit attention is drawn to dangerous places/situations, such as wet/slippery/sharp surfaces of jetty, pontoon, concrete elements (breakwaters), shoreline stabilization, boat slips, boat stalls, unevenness/obstacles in the sand or meadow, and the possibility of insect bites.

## **Risk of injury from jumping into shallow waters**

"JUMPING FORBIDDEN" applies in the jetty area. Every guest has to take care of him/herself and to ensure not to endanger him/herself or others. This also applies to the bathing island (pontoon).

## **Risk of circulatory collapse, muscle cramps**

- especially after meals or on very hot days.

It is recommended to avoid accessing the swimming area and swimming if you are in a poor physical condition, suffer from fatigue, exhaustion or indisposition. You must be in an appropriate physical condition when you want to go for a swim (e.g., never immediately after having eaten). In order to avoid thermal shock risks, adjust to lower water temperatures by cooling arms and legs evenly. Get out of the water immediately if you feel an increasing sensation of cold, beginning muscle cramps or similar symptoms!

DUI/SUI - diving or swimming under the influence (of alcohol or drugs) is prohibited!

## **Hazards associated with severe weather/thunderstorms**

Get out of the water immediately in case of severe weather/storms, such as strong gusts, rain or high waves, the water body must be left immediately. Return only once the storm/gusts have subsided and the weather has stabilized

## **Risk of injury from motor-driven vessels**

**Liners:** The law prohibits swimming and bathing in the danger zone (100 m radius) of the landing stage while a ship approaches, stops at, or leaves the landing stage. Ships approaching or leaving will sound one long blast; a reversing ship (going astern) will announce her intention by three short blasts. You are always required to leave the danger zone during such maneuvers (Regulation No. 08-Sch-443/9-2014, as amended). Violators may be prosecuted under the Shipping Code, section 42.

**Waterski boats:** Avoid swimming within the line of yellow buoys marking the waterski course. If you still choose to stay within the marked area this is at your own risk. The use of motor vehicles and similar equipment (motor-powered boats, model boats, Jet Ski, etc.) is prohibited in the swimming area. Petrol-engine driven boats are prohibited on Lake Millstatt (exceptions: cruise ships, waterski boats, Water Rescue Service, etc.). The use of boats with electric motors is regulated by law; such boats may be used outside the area where people swim.

## **Other**

The boundaries marking the Beach and the Camping Brunner campground and the SUP board/boat stalls must not be climbed on or crossed. Respect the rights of neighbors.

**Ball games, cycling, fishing, feeding ducks and swans, using radios** and other devices that produce noise are not allowed in the Beach area.

**Boats, SUP boards, large swimming aids, etc.** must not be stored - even for a short time - on the Beach/lawn. Please take them to the boat stalls or to your own pitch.

## **REPORTING OBLIGATION/OBLIGATION TO HELP**

Non-swimmers and their condition must always be taken into consideration in order to be able to provide help quickly in case of danger: Every guest is obliged to provide the necessary first aid or other assistance. Pollution, damage, abnormalities, etc. must be reported to the reception.

## **HELP IN EMERGENCY CASES**

**Emergency call equipment (life ring)** at the flagpole in the area of the bathing jetty

**Notify the campsite reception** (first aiders): **first aid kit** at the reception and the entrance area of sanitary facilities

**AED (Automated External Defibrillator):** in the entrance area sanitary facilities

Use any emergency facilities in the event of an emergency only. The willful misuse of emergency facilities will be prosecuted.

## IN AN EMERGENCY CALL:

Reception Camping Brunner:	+43 (0) 4246 7189 (or 7386)
Euro emergency call No.:	112
Water rescue service:	130
Fire brigade:	122
Police:	133
Emergency service:	144
Poison center:	0043 1 406 43 43

## BATHING RULES FOR THE SWIMMER

- 1. Physical health is an absolute must!**  
No high temperature, no infectious diseases, especially no rash; consult doctor for: heart, lungs, ears.
- 2. Always follow the swimming and bathing rules!**  
Notice boards in the bathing area, information referring to the bathing rules, instructions given by the bath attendant, if any.
- 3. Take a shower and cool off** before going into the water!  
Get your body temperature (36.7 C) used to the water temperature by wetting your pulse and temples – danger of heart attack!
- 4. When feeling cold – get out of the water!**  
Pale legs, blue lips, goose-pimples – beware of cramps (contraction of muscles due to cold temperatures).
- 5. When having problems with your ears, do not dive or jump!**  
Danger of water pressure on to your inner ear and equilibrium!
- 6. Avoid long exposure to the sun!**  
Reddening of skin = first-degree burn  
Malfunctioning of your blood circulation, formation of blisters and peeling of skin = second-degree burn
- 7. Never swim after having eaten too much!**  
All excessive blood is needed for digestion – danger of getting unconscious and heart attack
- 8. Never demand too much of yourself and do not induce others to carry out daring actions!**  
Jumps to be carried out only where permitted and if and when there is sufficient space available in the water; when swimming in open waters do so only in company; avoid approaching anchored or passing ships – suction!
- 9. Never jump into waters unfamiliar to you!**  
Don't do a straight header into shallow or muddy water – fracture of the skull! Crouched jumps or stride jumps won't lead you down so deep.
- 10. Particular attention when swimming in natural waters like Lake Millstatt!**  
Avoid swampy and reedy areas; watch your comrades carefully – help!