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# Water Parks Open on Thursday, June 18

## Summary

The City of Nanaimo Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture is pleased to announce the seasonal opening of water parks located in Harewood Centennial Park, Deverill Square Park, Departure Bay Kiwanis Park and Mansfield Park on Thursday, June 18. Water parks are open daily from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The following guidelines will be posted at each park to remind park users of the steps to take to stop the spread of COVID-19:

- Adhere to physical distancing guidelines from anybody outside their household (2 metres or 6 feet)
- Wash their hands properly before coming to the park and after leaving
- Bring their own hand sanitizer or antiseptic wipes
- Avoid the area if they are sick, if they've been exposed to someone who is sick or if they are immunocompromised
- Not share their equipment, toys, food, water bottles or other personal items
- Not congregate in groups larger than 50

The water used at water parks is fresh and is not recycled. It is important to note, however, that while the parks are cleaned and maintained on a regular schedule, the spray park equipment is not being cleaned or disinfected on a daily basis.

Strategic Link: The City of Nanaimo is committed to enhancing the livability of its residents.

## **Key Points**

- Water parks located in Harewood Centennial Park, Deverill Square Park, Departure Bay Park and Mansfield Park will open for the season on Thursday, June 18.
- Guidelines for usage to stop the spread of COVID-19 will be posted at each location.

#### Quotes

"The opening of the water parks in Nanaimo is a sign that summer is coming. They are a great way to stay cool during the warm weather we are anticipating in the months ahead."

Al Britton Manager, Park Operations City of Nanaimo

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