

Leisure Pool and Pirate Playground Closure FAQs

Q: When are you closing the pool?

A: The Leisure Pool and Pirate Playground will be closed from 14 April 2025 and is expected to re-open late May 2025.

Q: Why are you closing the pool?

A: The Leisure Pool needs to be drained to enable maintenance of the pool gutters. The paint on the concrete pool gutters is delaminating and wrapping around the foot valve of the pool pump. If this is left unremedied, the pump could malfunction and break.

The paint is meant to protect the concrete gutter from being eroded by pool water chemicals. The internal tiling and lining of the pool are at risk of failing if the concrete is breached.

The MARC is also using this time to fix numerous minor issues such as spa jet issues, a damaged pipe in the Pirate Playground, cracked tiles and eroded grout.

Q: How long will it take?

A: The estimated re-open date will be late May.

Timelines for some of the phases are detailed below:

- Pool draining and preparation: 3 – 4 days.
- Concrete gutter drying time: 7 days.
- Resealing and paint: 3 days.
- Two separate paint curing periods: 14 days.
- Re-fill the pool: 3 days.
- Health Department pool testing: 7 – 10 days.

Q: What classes or programs will be affected?

A: Swim School lessons will be temporarily moved to the Indoor 25m Pool where platforms will be used. This also provides an opportunity for our Swim School students to experience their lessons in deeper water under expert guidance and supervision.

Children's birthday party bookings will also be impacted as we will be unable to offer the Leisure Pool area and Pirate Playground during this short period.

The Aqua fitness timetable may also be affected; however, we will ensure we give participants as much information as possible before any changes occur.

Swimming squads will also be allocated space in our Outdoor 50m Pool during this time. Clubs will receive direct communications about how it will affect them.



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Q: Can I still use the Indoor 25m Pool for walking exercises?

A: Yes, the Indoor 25m Pool has a gradient depth from 1.1m to 1.4m.

Q: Will you be altering the temperature of the Indoor 25m Pool?

A: Yes, the Indoor 25m Pool temperature will be increased to optimise comfort for all users.

Q: How can I keep updated about the closure and re-opening time?

A: Stay up to date with project milestones via our social media channels on Facebook and Instagram, as well as our news item on the City of Mandurah website, available at mandurah.wa.gov.au.

Q: Why is the pool closing again after a previous long closure?

A: We know there is never a good time to close the pool, however we only recently became aware of this issue. If we don't complete this essential maintenance now, it will cause significant ongoing issues and decrease the life of the pool.

Q: Will the changing rooms still be accessible?

A: Yes, the changing rooms will still be operational.

Q: Where can I go if I have further questions or queries?

A: Feel free to reach out to our team at recreationcentres@mandurah.wa.gov.au.

