

The Nest SW CIC Birth pool



Terms and Conditions of Hire

This is a voluntary pool hire scheme run by The Nest Southwest CIC for the benefit of women in the local community. We run this on a not for profit basis.

Cost

- We ask for a cost of £50, for the hire of the pool (to cover outlay costs and maintenance) and a refundable deposit of £150 (cash, cheque or paypal) in case of irreparable damage, missing items or non-return of the pool. This will be returned to you when the pool comes back to us.
- The pool may be hired from the 37th week of pregnancy
- We allow for a 6 week loan period as a general rule, but if this needs to be altered please contact us and we will do our best to accommodate any changes.
- Babies are unpredictable and will arrive in their own time and often in unforeseen ways that may mean you won't actually use the pool. If a booking is cancelled up to 2 weeks before the start of the hire period then a full refund will be provided. Bookings that are cancelled 1 week before the hire period will receive a 50% refund. Cancellations after this time cannot be refunded.

Hygiene

- The pool must be used with a liner for hygiene purposes. Failure to do so will result in the refundable deposit being withheld.
- The pool hire comes WITHOUT additional and necessary equipment. Liners, hose pipes, tap adapters, thermometers and additional birth pool hire equipment can be purchased from The Good Birth Company online (use code ANT223 for 10% discount).
- We ask that you do not use our pools if you are a carrier of a blood-borne virus such as H.I.V or hepatitis B or C

Use

- We strongly advise that you contact your midwife prior to commencing use of the pool and they are informed of your plans for a water birth.
- All birthing Pools are supplied with an electric air pump which take approximately 15 minutes to inflate and deflate.
- You must follow all the assembly, filling and operation instructions. It is the responsibility of you, the hirer to ensure the safety of all those involved in the use of the pool and to make sure the building in which it is placed is suitable for the purpose e.g.: weather proof and can take the weight of the pool. We do not accept any liability for any consequential loss or damage costs, expenses or other claims for compensation whatsoever which may arise out of or in connection with the hiring and use of our pool. In all events our liability is limited to return of the hire charge.
- Please store the pool indoors at room temperature at all times

- Some pools may have repairs owing to the nature of the materials they are made from. Although we cannot be held responsible for any issues, we ask you to inform us as soon as possible should a problem occur, so that we may endeavour to rectify this for you. Each pool is checked for leaks upon its return to us, but this is not 100% fail safe and occasionally small new leaks do occur.
- We ask you to return the pool as soon as possible after it has been used, in order to allow someone else the opportunity to borrow it.
- The pool must be totally cleaned and dried before it is returned. (Please refer to the Good Birth Company guidelines for the standard required).
- The Pool can be collected and returned at the bimonthly pregnancy support group by prior arrangement. Alternative arrangements can be made if this is not possible.