

POOL REQUIREMENTS

No permits are required for above ground pools. However, code requirements must be followed:

- 1) 303.1 & 303.2 Pool structure as a barrier. Where an on ground RESIDENTIAL POOL structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, the following shall apply:
 - a. Private swimming pools, hot tubs, and spas, containing water more than 24 inches in depth shall be completely surrounded by a fence or barrier at least 48 inches in height above the finished ground level measured on the side of the barrier away from the pool.
 - b. An on ground pool wall, itself, shall be permitted to be the barrier where the pool structure is on grade and the wall is at least 48 inches above grade for the entire perimeter of the pool.
 - c. The barrier shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
 - d. Gates and doors in such barriers shall be self-closing and self-latching. Where the self-latching device is a minimum of 54 inches above the bottom of the gate, the release mechanism shall be located on the pool side of the gate. Self-closing and self-latching gates shall be maintained such that the gate will positively close and latch when released from an open position of 6 inches from the gatepost.
 - e. No existing pool enclosure shall be removed, replaced or changed in a manner that reduces its effectiveness as a safety barrier.
(2012 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code)
- 2) The pool must be at least three (3) feet away from both the side and rear property lines
- 3) All electrical lines must be ten (10) feet away from the sides of the pool – not 10 feet above it – per Commonwealth Edison. If current lines need to be moved, please notify and discuss this with Commonwealth Edison directly.
- 4) The pool water must be maintained with preventative measures to control the spread of insects, etc. and safety measure must be made to keep unsupervised, small children and animals away from the pool.

(EXCEPTION: Spas or hot tubs with a safety cover that complies with ASTM F 1346 shall be exempt from the provisions of this section.)