

SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS, & HOT TUBS

Application Instructions and Submittal Requirements

PERMIT(S) REQUIRED

A permit is required for an in-ground or above-ground swimming pool, spa or hot tub. A fence permit may be required, if a fence does not currently exist.

A plumbing and electrical permit may also be required for an in-ground or above-ground swimming pool, spa or hot tub.

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Two (2) sets of plans shall be submitted with the application. The plans shall show the following information:

In-ground Pool

Plot Plan

- Property lines*
- Existing buildings and structures (i.e., House, shed, deck, etc.)
- Location of the proposed swimming pool. Provide distance, in feet, from adjacent property lines.
- Location of fence. The swimming pool, spa or hot tub shall be secured by a fence with a minimum height of 48-inches.

Structure Drawings

- Cross section and plan view of the swimming pool showing steps, ladder, and deck and footing details. Include manufacturer's specifications if applicable.
- Fence detail showing height, design, and material.

Above-ground pool, spa, and hot tub

Plot Plan

- Property lines
- Existing buildings and structures (i.e., House, shed, deck, etc.)
- Location of the proposed swimming pool, spa, or hot tub. Provide distance, in feet from adjacent property lines.
- Location of fence. The swimming pool, spa or hot tub shall be secured by a fence with a minimum height of 48-inches. See regulations below for specific requirements.

Structure Drawings

- Elevation drawings of the pool wall to verify overall height above grade. If a deck is to be constructed around the pool, a deck permit is required.

SWIMMING POOL REGULATIONS – LCO 1363

1363.11 ENCLOSURES.

(a) Every outdoor swimming pool shall be completely surrounded by a fence not less than six feet in height for public swimming pools, and not less than four feet in height for private swimming pools. A fence shall be constructed so that access is effectively restricted. A building or existing wall may be used as part of such enclosure. All gates or doors opening through such enclosure shall be designed to permit locking and shall be kept locked when the pool is not in actual use or is left unattended.

(b) Every outdoor, above-ground swimming pool with a height of 24 inches or greater, measured from the ground upward, and which is not contained in a fenced-in yard, must be:

(1) Equipped with retractable steps which may be locked or otherwise secured in the upright position to prevent ingress; or

(2) Equipped with a self-closing and self-locking gate or fence, 48 inches in height, which encloses the steps; or

(3) Equipped with a fence with a minimum height of two feet around the top perimeter of the pool, with retractable steps which may be locked or otherwise secured in the upright position or which is equipped with a self-closing and self-locking gate, 48 inches in height, which encloses the steps.

(c) The Building Commissioner may make modifications in individual cases, upon a showing of good cause with respect to the height, nature or location of the fence, gates or latches, or the necessity therefor, provided the protection as sought hereunder is not reduced thereby. The Building Commissioner may permit other protective devices or structures to be used so long as the degree of protection afforded by the substitute devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the wall, fence, gate and latch described herein.

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1363.13 PERMANENT PRIVATE POOLS; PLANS.

Plans, specifications and pertinent explanatory data required to be submitted in connection with an application for a permit to construct a permanent private swimming pool or any alteration, addition, remodeling or other improvements thereto shall comply with the following requirements, and shall include the following plans and information, as well as such other data as may reasonably be requested by the Building Commissioner:

(a) Plans shall be drawn to a scale of not less than one-eighth inch per foot, indicating all materials, the method of construction and all dimensions, including the length, width and depth of the pool and the width of the pool decks.

(b) A profile plan showing the same information shall be included.

(c) No pool shall be constructed, installed or erected closer than twenty-five feet from any dwelling place on adjoining properties.

(d) No pool shall be constructed, installed or erected in front of any building setback line, occupy an area greater than ten percent of the lot area, nor be closer than ten feet to any lot side or rear line. No deck walk area shall be allowed within three feet of any property line.