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*A permit and fee is required for all swimming pool and/or hot tub installations. If Restrictive Covenants for the property are on file with the applicable county, the more restrictive requirements apply.*

- Swimming pools/hot tubs must maintain the minimum rear yard setback of 5 feet and side yard setback of 5 feet (unless specified elsewhere in the city code).
- All accessory buildings or accessory structures located in any yard may not occupy more than 30% of that yard.

# Swimming Pool Requirements

## **Swimming Pool:**

A structure, chamber, tank, or area constructed of manmade material, whether permanent, storable, private or public, that is intended for swimming, bathing, or wading. For the purpose of this definition, the following are not considered swimming pools:

1. Landscape features less than 50 square feet.
2. Ponds, lakes, retention facilities
3. Storable swimming pools, 12" or less in depth, and filled and **drained daily**.



## **PROJECT SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS**

### **Swimming Pools**

1. Completed building permit application.
2. Site plan showing existing conditions in addition to pool, fence, gate, and utility locations. Pool dimensions and setback dimensions from property lines required.
3. Energy code requirements (heaters, covers, timers).
4. Fence and pool cover details. (Cut sheets or manufacturer specification sheet)

### **Hot Tubs**

1. Completed building permit application.
2. Site plan showing existing conditions in addition to hot tub location.
3. Energy code requirements (heaters, covers, timers).
4. Documentation for hot tub cover (must have keyed lock), or fence details.

### **Inspections Required**

1. **Footings (if required).**
2. **Electrical bonding (pool shells, equipment, perimeter surface, water).**
3. **Electrical rough-in (pool equipment, required receptacles).**
4. **Final to ensure gates, fence, and electrical requirements are met.**

### **Other Information**

1. It is recommended that pools drain to the sanitary sewer system.
2. A temporary 4' fence shall be installed around the construction zone.
3. Wherever the depth of the pool increases from less than four feet (4') to more than four feet (4'), swimming pools shall be equipped with a rope or line not less than one-half inch (1/2") in diameter and supported by floats.



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