

§27-423. Private Swimming Pools.

For the purpose of this Chapter a private swimming pool shall be an accessory structure, and shall be erected in accordance with regulations controlling any structure capable of holding water to a depth of 18 inches or more, and capable of containing at least 20 gallons of water, and designed for the purpose of bathing. For the purpose of this Chapter, the term shall include spas and hot tubs.

A. Before any private swimming pool may be erected or constructed either on-ground or in-ground, a permit shall be required.

(1) Application for on-ground pool permit shall contain a description of the size of pool and the location of the pool on the property.

(2) Application for in-ground pool permit shall be same as required for any permanent structure under this code and current applicable building codes.

B. All private swimming pools installed shall be completely enclosed by a fence of a minimum height of 4 feet and with maximum horizontal width openings of 6 inches. Such fence shall be no closer than 5 feet from the pool and must be of such nature and construction that it will be sufficiently durable to prevent unauthorized entrance. All gates or doors opening through such fence shall be equipped with a self-closing and self-latching device at all times when not in use, with the following exceptions: [Ord. 1005]

(1) No fence will be required for on-ground with sides at least 4 feet above ground, with a self-locking gate or retractable ladder at the pool entrance way.

(2) A permanent building may be used as part of the required enclosure

for in-ground pools.

C. All private swimming pools shall be maintained in good condition with fence and required gates and ladders in place at all times. The Zoning Officer may order the repair or removal of any pool not properly maintained or protected from accidental access.

(Ord. 761, 7/26/1985; as added by Ord. 798, 6/27/1988; and as amended by Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)