PRIVATE SWIMMING POOL REGULATIONS

Permits are required for all permanent or temporary pools, spas, hot tubs, or tanks having a water depth of 24” (twenty-four inches) or greater. Permit fees may vary from year to year but pool permit fees for the Village are generally $50-$100.

To obtain a permit for the installation or erection of a new or replacement pool, you must provide the following information along with a completed building permit application.

- Tape and/or instrument survey property map.
- The map must indicate: 1. The proposed location of the pool.
  2. The dimensions and depth of the pool.
  3. Location of overhead or underground power lines.

- Electrical Installation for permanently installed pools - must be installed to the NFPA 70-2008 National Electrical Code (copies available upon request). Electrical wiring shall be inspected by an electrical inspection agency of your choice and/or handled by your electrician. Electrical inspections are paid directly to the agency and are approximately $50 to $100.

- Storable swimming pools that utilize a cord-connected pool filter pump shall incorporate a ground-fault interrupter outlet or circuit breaker. Extension cords shall be sized according to the electrical needs of the pump, with cords fastened and protected from physical damage.

POOLS, SPAS OR HOT TUBS SHALL NOT BE USED UNTIL THE PERMANENT PROTECTED ELECTRICAL WIRING AND/OR SAFETY MEASURES ARE INSTALLED AND INSPECTED.

- Location of pools entirely within the rear yard shall be no less than 3’ (three feet) from the property lines, and no closer than 10’ (ten feet) from a building, either on the same lot or adjacent parcels.

- Pool shall be located at least 10’ (ten feet) horizontally from overhead electrical power lines.

- Location of pools in side yards requires a more detailed review. Pools cannot be placed on or in any easements or disrupt natural drainage patterns, or create water runoff to a neighboring property.

- Enclosure of above-ground pools (i.e. fences) is generally not required, provided the pool walls are not less than 48” (forty-eight inches) high. Pool walls less than 48” may require a fenced-in yard or other suitable barrier to prevent entry to the pool area. Otherwise, pool walls less than 48” high or all soft-sided type pools do require a 4’ (four foot) high fence around the pool and/or another suitable barrier as needed to prevent unauthorized entry to the pool.
• Pool ladders, steps and pool gates **must be locked** to prevent access when the pool is left unattended for any period of time.

• Hot tubs and spas do not require a fence enclosure, but do require a lockable hard cover in place when the unit is not being used.

• Pool Alarms - all swimming pools that require a permit or are substantially modified shall be equipped with an approved pool alarm, which:

  (1) is capable of detecting a child entering the water and of giving an audible alarm when it detects a child accidentally entering the water.
  (2) is audible poolside and at another location on the interior of the premises where the swimming pool is located.
  (3) is installed, used, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.
  (4) is listed by Underwriter’s Laboratory, Inc. (UL) or by another approved testing laboratory to reference standard ASTM F2208.

  Please check with the Building Inspector to see which pool alarms are acceptable.

• Inspections by the Building Department are required before the pool may be used. The electrical inspection, as noted above, must be completed before you request a final inspection by the Building Department.

  **Pools cannot be used until all inspections are complete and the Village Building Inspector issues a certificate of compliance.**

• **NOTE:** The above rules are subject to change. Please, if you have any further questions, consult with the Building Inspector.