

ARTICLE 17.00

SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO SPECIFIC USES

Section 17.02 Site Development Standards

CC. Recreation

6. Private Swimming Pools

a) Permits

For permanent above or below ground swimming pools, and for portable pools with a diameter exceeding twelve (12) feet or an area exceeding one hundred (100) square feet, a building permit and electrical permit must be obtained for its alteration, erection and construction. The application for such permit shall include the name of the owner, a plot plan showing the dimensions and site location of the pool plus nearby buildings, fences, gates, septic tanks, tile fields, public utilities, and easements. The application for a below ground pool shall be accompanied by plans and specifications to scale of the pool walls, slope, bottom, walkway, diving boards, type and rating of auxiliary equipment, piping and valve layout. Any other information affecting construction and safety features deemed necessary by the Township or the County Health Department shall also be submitted.

b) Encroachment

No portion of the swimming pool or associated structures shall be permitted to encroach upon any easement or right-of-way which has been granted for public utility use.

c) Setbacks

Minimum side yard setback shall comply with required side yard spaces specified for the zoning district wherein the pool is located. Furthermore, the pool fence must not be built within the required front yard or required corner lot side yard. Rear or side yard setback shall not be less than ten (10) feet between the pool outside wall and the side or rear property line, or less than four (4) feet between pool wall and any building on the lot.

d) Enclosure

All swimming pools shall be completely enclosed by a chain-link fence or a fence of comparable safety not less than four (4) feet nor more than six (6) feet in height, and set a distance of not less than four (4) feet from the outside perimeter of the pool wall. Except, that if a building is located on a lot not having any means of public access, a fence shall not be required on any such side, except for swimming pools above grade (e.g. portable) which have a side wall with a smooth surface not less than four (4) feet in height and with all means of access being secured, raised and/or locked to prevent unauthorized use. All openings in any such fence or building shall be equipped with a self-closing, self-latching

gate or door which shall be securely locked with a tamperproof lock when the pool is not in use. Provided, however, that if the entire premises is enclosed by fence or wall, then said fence requirement may be waived by the Building Inspector, after due inspection and approval.

e) **Electrical requirements**

All electrical installations or wiring in connection with swimming pools shall conform to the provision of the National Electrical Code or equivalent. If service drop conductors or other utility wires cross under or over the proposed pool area, the applicant shall make satisfactory arrangements with the utility involved for the relocation thereof before a permit shall be issued for the construction of the swimming pool.

f) **Location**

A private swimming pool shall be located in only the side or rear yards. On a waterfront lot, swimming pools may be located in the waterfront yard or front yard following Zoning Board of Appeals approval, and subject to the special requirements in Section 5.03 C.2.