



# SWIMMING POOLS

BUILDING INSPECTIONS DIVISION: 217/424-2787

## I. Permit Required

- A. Permit is required for all pools more than 24" deep.
- B. A separate permit is required for associated decks.
- C. If electrical is required, a separate electrical sub sheet must be included with this permit.

## II. Location

- A. The wall of the pool shall be a minimum of 6' away from any rear or side property line.
- B. 22 ½' clearance from water surface to overhead power lines in any direction is required.
- C. Pools shall not be located on any easement or in a front yard setback

## III. Barriers

- A. All pools shall have a barrier which extends at least 48" above the ground. The barriers are designed to prevent small children from gaining unsupervised access to the pool.
- B. Openings in the barrier shall not allow the passage of a 4" diameter sphere and not create a ladder effect.
- C. Access gates shall open outward, away from the pool, shall be self-closing, and shall have a self-latching device. This device shall be located a minimum of 54" above grade or shall be located on the inside of the gate at least 3" below the top of gate.
- D. Where an above ground pool structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure then:
  - 1. The pool shall be equipped with a power safety cover or
  - 2. All doors with direct access to the pool through that wall shall be equipped with an audible alarm which activates when the door is opened. This alarm must produce a sound different from any other bell or alarm in the building so that it can easily be detected if a child were to unknowingly pass through such door.

## IV. Drawing

- A. A drawing will need to be completed on the reverse side which clearly shows the location of the new pool and any other structures on the property including overhead power lines.
- B. You must present a copy of the recorded subdivision plat for your property. It can be obtained at the Macon County Recorder of Deeds, 141 S. Main St., Decatur, IL, 62523.
- C. The applicant (or property owner) is responsible for identifying property lines.

## V. Permit Fee

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| A. Inground pool including electrical and plumbing: | \$200 |
| B. Aboveground pool with electrical:                | \$100 |
| C. Aboveground pool without electrical:             | \$50  |

## VI. Inspections

Inspection requests should be scheduled 24 hours prior to the needed inspection.

**Electrical must be inspected on all pools even if using existing receptacles.**

Staff Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Front Property Line