

Peer Community Pool Fencing Research

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Sec. 18-235. - Fences.

Outdoor private residential swimming pools shall be protected by a fence, wall or building or other enclosure or any combination thereof. All fence openings or points of entry into the pool area enclosure shall be equipped with gates. The fence and gates shall be at least four feet in height. All gates shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices placed at the top of the gate or otherwise inaccessible to small children and provided with hardware for permanent locking devices. The openings between the bottom of the fence and the ground surface shall not be more than four inches.

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9-4-5: Access Barrier Requirements

A. Outdoor Swimming Pools:

- 1) All outdoor swimming pools constructed shall be completely enclosed by an access barrier consisting of, fence, wall, combination thereof, or equally protective barrier of the non-climbing type, so as to not be penetrable by toddlers. Such access barrier shall afford no external handholds or footholds and be a minimum of four feet (4') in height. An access barrier must be provided for aboveground pools except where the side wall height is entirely at least four feet (4'), and the only pool access is by removable steps, which must be removed when the swimming pool is unattended. (Amended Ord. 488, 3-5-19)
- 2) All outdoor points of entry through the access barrier or fence into the swimming pool area shall be equipped with self-closing and self latching devices. Openings through or below the access barrier shall not allow the passage of a 4-inch diameter sphere. (Amended Ord. 488, 3-5-19)
- 3) Alternative barrier/s to swimming pool fence may be allowed by the Building Official where determined that the alternative barrier is equally impenetrable and protective of public safety. Plans and specifications for any alternative barrier must be submitted to the Building Official and must substantially demonstrate equal protection of public safety. A retractable pool cover alone is hereby determined to not be equally protective.

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Section 18-424. – Standards.

(b) Barrier/fencing and post materials shall be of substantial construction, decay or corrosion resistant, and capable of resisting a 200 pound lateral load applied in any direction at any point along the top. All fence posts shall be set in concrete bases or other suitable protection. Alternative barrier construction materials, climbing protection, and design must be approved by the building official.

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1001.14 General Regulations – Subd. 9 Swimming Pools

(5) Safety fence required.

a. Fence required. A safety fence at least 4 feet in height shall completely enclose the pool. All openings or points of entry into the pool area shall be equipped with gates or doors. All gates and doors shall have a latch which shall be so constructed and so placed as to be inaccessible to small children. All

gates and doors shall be latched and locked to prevent access to the pool when the pool is not in use. Any opening between the bottom of the fence and the ground level shall not exceed 3 inches.

[Elk River](#)

Section 30-796 – Fences; visibility at intersections and driveways.

(e) General requirements for fences.

(4) Pools.

- a) All below ground swimming pools require a building permit and shall be enclosed with a fence or covered with an automatic pool cover when not supervised.
- b) The fencing or automatic pool cover must be installed prior to filling the pool.
- c) Fencing shall be chain link, vertical pickets or solid. Spaces between the bottom of the fence and the ground or between the pickets shall not exceed four inches.
- d) Fencing shall be a minimum of four feet in height and all gates shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices placed at the top of the gate or otherwise inaccessible to small children and provided with hardware for permanent locking devices.
- e) Automatic pool covers shall meet the standards of F1346-91 (reapproved 1996) of American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM), as such standards may be modified, superseded or replaced by ASTM.
- f) All above ground pools that require a building permit shall have access controlled with a means to prevent access into the above ground pool when unoccupied. Failure to prevent access into an above ground pool when unoccupied is a misdemeanor.
- g) All pool related chemicals shall be stored inside the home or an accessory structure.

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505.07 General Regulations - Subd. 9. Accessory Structures and Uses

(d) Swimming Pools. Where noncommercial swimming pools are constructed as accessory structures in residence districts, a four-foot high safety fence with self-closing and self-latching gates or an automatic pool cover is required, except in the AP-agriculture preservation and A-agriculture zoning districts. The automatic pool cover shall meet the standards of F1346-91 of the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM), as such standards may be modified, superseded or replaced by ASTM. Fences shall be identified on the survey and submitted with the building permit application. It shall be the responsibility of the building permit applicant and property owner to submit materials ensuring compliance with the ASTM standards for an automatic pool cover prior to the issuance of a building permit. Compliance with the ASTM standards shall be shown with the building permit application for the pool. Any person violating this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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No mention of swimming pool ordinances regarding fences.

[Oak Grove](#)

No mention of swimming pool ordinances regarding fences.