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## RESIDENTIAL POOL HANDOUT

### Permits

A zoning permit is required for swimming pools in excess of 5,000 gallons capacity, whether they are above or below ground level. Also, electrical service to all pools is required regardless of size.

### Location

- Cannot be in the front yard
- Setback requirements are dependent on which zoning district the property is in. You can use the [zoning map](#) to locate the zoning district of the property then determine the minimum setback requirements listed below:
  - Zone R-1A = 5 feet
  - Zone R-1B = 5 feet
  - Zone R-1C = 10 feet
- At least 6ft. from principal structure and from any frost footing
- Clear of utility lines, to conform with clearances required by the National Electrical Code and the National Electrical Safety Code

### Fencing

- In-ground swimming pools must be surrounded with a fence that is at least 5 feet tall and cannot have openings larger than 6 inches.
  - A fence surrounding the yard may also be used to meet this requirement.
- All fencing shall be installed within three weeks of the pool installation and prior to the pool being filled.
- All gates must be self-closing with a latching device to secure the gate, and have hardware for a permanent locking device that is at least 48 inches above grade.
- Above-ground pools must have a removable access ladder.

### Required Inspections

- Setback inspections: When the location of the pool has been staked and ground preparations complete, an inspection shall be performed.
  - Twenty-four hour notice is required for inspections, call 651-552-4116 to schedule.
- Final: To be made upon completion of the pool and fence.
  - Construction must be completed within 12 months of the issuance of the building permit.

