

City Code

Chapter 27

SWIMMING POOLS

Sec. 27-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them:

- (1) **Swimming Pool:** A structure, whether above or below grade level, designed to hold water more than 30 inches deep to be used for recreational purposes. Hot Tubs or similar uses are considered swimming pools.

Sec. 27-2. Minimum Swimming Pool Standards.

- (1) **General Requirements.** Swimming pools shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and in good repair.

(2) **Enclosures.**

(A) Private swimming pools, hot tubs and spas, containing water more than 24 inches (610 mm) in depth shall be completely surrounded by a fence or barrier at least 48 inches (1219 mm) in height above the finished ground level measured on the side of the barrier away from the pool. Gates and doors in such barriers shall be self-closing and self-latching. Where the self-latching device is a minimum of 54 inches (1372 mm) above the bottom of the gate, the release mechanism shall be located on the pool side of the gate. Self-closing and self-latching gates shall be maintained such that the gate will positively close and latch when released from an open position of 6 inches (152 mm) from the gatepost. No existing pool enclosure shall be removed, replaced, or changed in a manner that reduces its effectiveness as a safety barrier.

(B) Exception. Spas or hot tubs with a safety cover that complies with ASTM F 1346 (as may be amended) shall be exempt from the provisions of 27-2(2)(A).

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