



Swimming Pool/Hot tub/Spa Information Sheet

Frequently asked questions:

Do I need a permit?

Yes, if the wall of the pool is over 24 inches in height a permit is required. This can be applied for at City Hall. A minimum fee will be collected; cost is based on total cost of pool.

Do I need a fence?

Yes, barriers such as fences and wall are required for pools that have wall height of 24 inches or more. The pool area must be completely contained within these barriers. The specific requirements are as follows:

- The top of the barrier must be a minimum of 48 inches. Above ground pools walls 48 inches in height, can serve as this barrier provided a removable ladder or a ladder that locks in an upright position is installed.*
- Openings in the barrier cannot allow passage of a 4 inch sphere.*
- Any door, within a wall of the residence that allows direct access to the pool enclosure must be alarmed with an audible alarm.*
- Any gate must be self closing and self locking.*
- A temporary fence is not allowed; for example the orange plastic fence used at construction sites.*

Are there any specific locations requirements?

Yes, pools, hot tubs and spas are referred to as accessory structures. This means they must meet the zoning requirements of the area where they will be located.

- Minimum distance to the side or rear yard is 5 feet. On a corner lot, the side will be a minimum of 30 feet.*
- No utility line can be overhead.*
- Cannot be placed over a utility easement.*

Are there any specific electrical requirements?

Yes, a dedicated ground fault circuit is required for the pump. Also a convenience outlet that is also GFI protected receptacle is required within 20 feet of pool.

Will I need an inspection?

Yes, an inspection by a member of the Building Department will inspect the pool after it is installed.

Can I install this myself?

Yes, an individual can install this his/herself if capable of doing so. A Contractor may also do so, but any Contractor conducting business within the Perryville City limits is required to have an Occupation License, (this can be obtained at the City Hall).

What if I don't comply with all the rules on pools?

The City of Perryville Code of Ordinances regulates this under Chapter 8, making any violations punishable in Municipal Court if brought to your attention by the Code Enforcement Officer and you fail to comply within a reasonable given time.

What's my next step?

**Fill out a permit application.*

**Complete a site plan.*

This will be a "bird's eye view" drawing of the property where the pool will be located. Giving the dimensions of the property, location of all buildings and where the pool will be located .showing existing power lines.

Why so many rules?

The City of Perryville has adopted these guide lines from the International Building Codes. Due to the fact of so many dangers and hazards from bodies of water, many of these rules are enforced to protect the safety of small children.

PLEASE NOTE:

These guidelines are not a compressive presentation of all the ordinances involved in placing, erecting, or constructing a pool, hot tub or spa.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the building department at Perryville City

Hall at (573)547-2594