

Lower Swatara Township Pool Specs for plan

Provide the following information on your building plans to help facilitate your plan review. Above ground pools over 24" in height, spas, hot tubs and in ground pools require building and zoning permits.

1. Provide plot plan, see attached sample plot plan and required information.
 - Include any overhead or underground electric lines within 10' of the pool
 - Show distance from water's edge to property lines. 15' minimum required
2. Provide specs of fence or the following information. See attached appendix G from the 2009 International Residential Code which is enforced in Pennsylvania.
 - Location of fence
 - Height of fence-minimum height 48" above grade required. See AG 105.2 1 thru 7 for detail.
 - Spacing of vertical and horizontal members
3. Gate Detail
 - Required to be self-closing and latching, open away from pool.
 - If release mechanism is below 54" in height, provide detail on framing around latch and distance of latch from top of gate
4. Electrical detail
 - 1 GFCI receptacle minimum required between 6 and 10 'from pool wall.
 - 1 general purpose GFCI receptacle is required between 6 and 20' from pool wall
 - Bonding of pool and equipment required per the 2009 IRC or 2008 NEC and pool manufactures specs.
 - Rough in and final electrical inspections by township approved third party
5. Door alarms
 - Required when house is used as barrier to pool. Any door that opens to pool required to have alarm.
 - Required if deck has direct access to above ground pool

Code Notes

1. Above ground pools exempt from fence requirement if pool walls are 48" or higher and have a lockable or removable steps
2. Hot tubs/spas exempt from fence if cover can be locked
3. If above ground pool has a deck attached to it, the gate and guardrails must comply with the fence requirements