





### **Swimming Pool Requirements**

1. Pools and all appurtenances to be a minimum of five (5) feet from any property line.
2. All pool installations must comply with the National Electric Code, most recent edition, Article 680, including but not limited to all overhead conductors must have proper clearance, proper receptacles and pump wiring, and pool bonding.
3. All swimming pools are to be enclosed by a fence at least 42" in height unless an approved cover capable of supporting 250 pounds is provided.
4. No pool permits will be issued without a permit - Permit fee for pools: \$40.00 above ground, \$100 for in-ground.
5. Electrical permit fee: \$35.00 (No permit will be issued without the Electrical Permit).
6. Submit application and site plan first and appointment scheduled at that time for site location inspection. Permit fees payable upon approval of inspection.
7. A swimming pool being defined as anything designed/constructed to hold or retain water, having a capacity of more than 100 cubic feet of water and being over 24 inches deep at any point.

**SWIMMING POOL FAQ**

**GFHCO 1355**

**Q: HOW FAR OFF THE PROPERTY LINE DOES THE POOL HAVE TO BE?**

*A: has to be at least 5 feet off of property line in all directions.*

**Q: DO THEY NEED A FENCE AROUND THE POOL?**

*A: YES, FENCE MUST BE AT LEAST 42 inches TALL.*

**Q: IF THEY HAVE A GATE GOING INTO THE YARD WHERE THE POOL IS OR A GATE ON THE DECK GOING TO THE POOL DOES IT NEED TO BE LOCKED?**

*A: the gate for a fence or a gate on the deck needs to have a lock. If they have a ladder going to the pool the ladder has to be locked or be removed whenever a responsible adult is not present.*

**Q: THEY HAVE AN OLD POOL NOT BEING USED, DO THEY HAVE TO TAKE IT DOWN?**

*A: all pools must be maintained or removed.*

**Q: THEY HAVE A BLOW UP KIDDIE POOL IN THE FRONT YARD IS THAT OK?**

*A: the pool must have no more than 18 inches of water in depth and must be removed on a nightly basis.*

**Q: THERE IS A RESIDENT DRAINING HIS POOL ON THE YARD IS THAT OK?**

*A: the owner of any swimming pool shall drain the water to the nearest STORM DRAIN OR DOWN THEIR DRIVEWAY, THEY MAY NOT DRAIN A POOL ONTO THE YARD, OR A NEIGHBORS YARD.*

**Q: WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PERMANENT POOL AND A STORABLE (TEMPORARY) POOL?**

*A: a permanent pool is a pool that stays up all year long. A storable or temporary pool is a pool that is taking down in the winter and put back up in the summer.*

**Q: DO THEY NEED A PERMIT FOR A POOL?**

*A: yes, they need a pool permit for a permanent pool and a storable pool. If it is a storable pool they only need to pull the permit once not every year.*

**Q: DO THEY NEED AN ELECTRICAL PERMIT FOR A POOL?**

*A: for a brand new pool yes it is required. If there was an existing pool and the electrical is up to code then you do NOT need an electrical permit. If it is a storable pool and they are using an existing GFCI outlet then an electrical permit is NOT required.*

**Q: THERE IS NOT A GFCI PLUG CLOSE ENOUGH TO THE PUMP CAN THEY USE AN EXTENSION CORD?**

*A: no extension cords can be used, no extension cords can be ran through windows or door ways.*

**Q: CAN THEY USE A REGULAR OUTLET PLUG FOR THE POOL PUMP?**

*A: no, the pool pump must be GFCI protected*

**Q: HOW CLOSE TO THE POOL CAN ELECTRICAL PLUG BE?**

*A: the gfci outlet feeding the pool pump cannot be closer than 6 feet from the inside pool wall.*

**Q: THEY HAVE POWER LINES AND CABLE LINES RUNNING OVERHEAD BY THE POOL IS THAT OK?**

*A: if power or cable lines run directly over the pool then they have to be at least 22.5 feet above the pool water line. If the lines run next to the pool they have to be at least 10 feet off the side wall of the pool.*

# Pool Electrical

per  
2017 National Electrical Code

