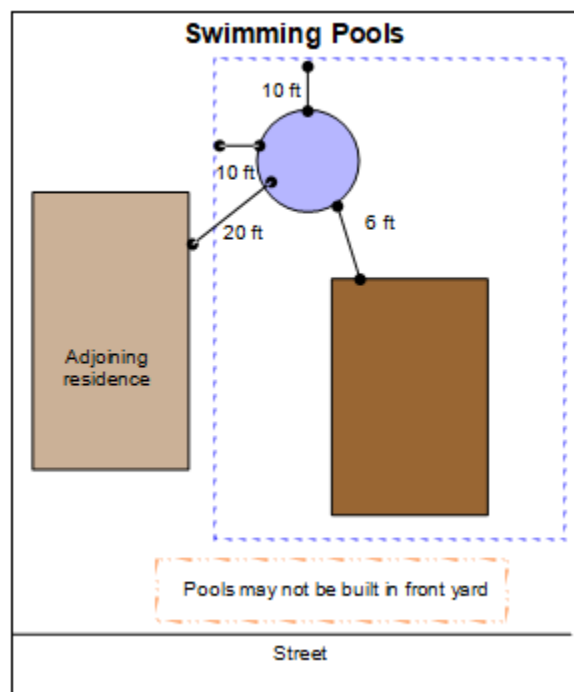


# Building Permit Guidelines

## Pools

- Any structure that contains water over 24 inches deep is considered a swimming pool, including in-ground, above-ground, and on-ground pools, hot tubs, portable and non-portable spas, and fixed-in-place wading pools.
- Swimming pools must be completely enclosed by a wall or fence or other permanent enclosure at least 4 feet tall.
  - The enclosure must have a self-closing gate with a self-latching device that remains locked when the pool is unattended. Enclosures may be located on the rear lot line or an interior side lot line, but the edge of the swimming pool must be at least 10 feet away from any lot line and at least 20 feet from a residence on an adjoining lot.
- Swimming pools may not be built in front of front building lines. Where a wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier, one of the following shall apply:
  - (1) Doors with direct access to the pool through that wall shall be equipped with an alarm that produces an audible warning when the door and/or its screen, are opened. The alarm shall be listed in accordance with UL 2017 (available at home hardware supply store or Internet).
  - (2) Self-closing doors with self-latching devices.
- Hot tubs and spas should be equipped with an approved safety cover.
- Swimming pools should be designed so that the surface water drains into the Public Street or storm drainage system on the owner's property, or by underground pipe.
- Manufacture/Installation Guide is required for all above ground pools prior to issuance of permit.



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