



Concord Township, *Lake County, Ohio*

Zoning Information Sheet #3: Swimming Pools

1) There are two (2) major categories for residential swimming pools, temporary and permanent.

- A permanent swimming pool is defined as an artificial tank or structure, either in-ground or above-ground, intended for recreational swimming purposes, with a diameter greater than six (6) feet and designed to contain greater than two (2) feet of water at any point. Permanent swimming pools are erected and maintained on a property year-round.
- A temporary swimming pool is defined as an above ground tank or structure designed for swimming purposes, but which are not permanently installed and are only permitted to be erected on a property between May 1st and September 30th. Temporary pools include, but are not limited to, inflatable, blow-up, plastic structures intended to be used as pools by children.

2) What are the requirements for a permanent swimming pool?

- Swimming pools must be located at least fifteen (15) feet from any side and ten (10) feet from the rear yard line and fifty (50) feet from the road right-of-way of the lot upon which it is situated. In the R-6 District, pools shall be at least 30 feet from side and rear lot lines. If a watercourse is on the property, riparian setbacks may apply.
- Permanent pools, both in-ground and above ground, shall be enclosed on the property by a fence no less than four (4) feet in height, to prevent access to the pool except through a controlled point.
- Above-ground pools with a vertical side wall of at least four (4) feet, as measured by the adjoining grade, with a removable or locking access ladder to the pool do not need a fence.
- A zoning permit is required for a permanent swimming pool.

3) What are the requirements for a temporary swimming pool?

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- Temporary pools with a height of four (4) feet or less shall only be erected on a property, whether containing water or not, from May 1st through September 30th.
- No zoning permit is required. However, if the pool is left up beyond the dates indicated above, it shall be required to comply with the permanent pool regulations.

3) What is needed to complete a zoning permit application for a swimming pool?

- A diagram or site plan (drawn to scale) that shows the size and the proposed location of the pool and fence (if required), including the proposed setback distances to front, side and rear property lines. Riparian setbacks, if applicable, are required to be shown.
- \$100 permit fee.
- Zoning permit applications are completed online or at the Zoning Office.

4) Are any other permits needed?

The Lake County Building Department may require permits and can be contacted at 440-350-2636. The Lake County Health District may also require a plumbing permit and can be contacted at 440-350-2543.

Zoning Department Contact Information

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