



# City of Tenino

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## **NEW REQUIREMENTS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007**--Apply to both in-ground and above-ground pools

### **Permit requirements:**

- \$150.00 flat fee permit plus 4.50 State fee for pools (both in-ground and above-ground pools).
- Spas and hot tubs do not require a permit, but must have a COVER meeting ASTM F1346.

### **Fence requirements:**

- 48" high minimum (measured on the side which faces AWAY from the pool)
- 2" maximum clearance between the bottom of the fence and the ground
- 4" maximum spacing of pickets (4" sphere cannot pass thru & no horizontal pickets **OR**)
- 1 3/4" maximum spacing of pickets IF there are horizontal supports (or decorative horizontals) closer than 45" apart (and the horizontals must then be on the poolside of the fence)
- 2 1/4" maximum mesh size for chain link fences
- 1 3/4" maximum spacing if there are diagonal members (lattice-type fence).

### **Back wall of house requirements:**

If the back wall of the house (or another wall) serves as part of the "barrier fence" around the pool, then **ONE** of the following must be done:

- The pool shall be equipped with a powered safety cover in compliance with ASTM F 1346;
- Doors with direct access to the pool through that wall shall be equipped with an **ALARM** which meets specific and very detailed requirements. Please ask for the detailed specifications.
- Doors with direct access to the pool through that wall shall be equipped with a self-closer that completely latches the door closed, and a door knob or lever at least 54 inches above the threshold of the door. The door shall be a swinging type only and shall swing INTO the house. The self-closer shall completely latch the door closed within 15 seconds. No other unlatching device or door knob shall be able to unlatch the door.

### **Gate requirements:**

- All size requirements of the fence apply
- Gate must open OUTWARD away from the pool
- Gate must be self-closing and self-latching
- Self-latching device must be HIGHER than 54" from bottom of gate (or special requirements would then apply to block the latch from being accessed on the outside, see AG105, 8.1 and 8.2)

**Spas or hot tubs** with a safety cover per ASTM F1346 are exempt from the fence, gate, barrier, and alarm requirements listed above. **No permit required as long as safety cover is in place.**

### **Location** requirements of the pool itself:

- Must be in the back half of the lot (but it need not be more than 75' from the front property line).
- Must have a 5 foot minimum clear deck all the way around the pool (including distance to wall of house and distance to the fence or barrier surrounding the pool).

### **Submittal** requirements:

- Standard scaled site plan (1:20 scale) showing where pool and fence will be located.
- Manufacturer's specifications (swimming pool supplier or the pool manufacturer) showing ALL suction outlet entrapment protection requirements are being installed (see AG106, 2006 IRC).
- Written specifications about the type of gate, closer, latch, and latch location.
- Written description of the type of fence (showing all fence requirements being met).
- Manufacturer's specifications about the alarm (if required on a door leading to the pool area).