

# Swimming Pools Require Building and Zoning Permits

*Pursuant to local ordinances, above ground, in ground, or on ground swimming pools may require building, zoning, and/or electrical permits.*

## Building Permit Required for Pools over 24 inches (24") deep

Pools used for swimming or bathing shall conform to the Building Code. However, these Building Code regulations shall not apply to any pool less than twenty-four inches (24") deep.

## Fence or Barrier of at least 48 inches (48") Required for Pools over 24 inches (24") deep

Every person owning land on which there is a swimming pool, which contains twenty-four inches (24") or more of water in depth at any point, shall erect and maintain an adequate enclosure surrounding either the property or swimming pool area, sufficient to make the body of water inaccessible to small children. The enclosure, including gates, shall be not less than four feet above the underlying ground. All gates shall be self-latching with latches placed four feet above the underlying ground and otherwise made inaccessible from the outside to small children.

## Zoning Permit Required for Swimming Pools and Fences

### 150.313 Private Residential Swimming Pools

- A. "Private Residential Swimming Pool" is any swimming pool located at a three family or less dwelling which is for the exclusive use of the residents and their non-paying guests.
- B. "Swimming Pool" is any above ground or below ground structure, chamber, or tank, containing a body of water for swimming, diving, or bathing and intended to be used as a private non-commercial "Private Residential Swimming Pool".
- C. No "Swimming Pool" shall be constructed, erected, or assembled either above ground or below ground, within the Village until the property owner, lessee, or tenant shall have first obtained a permit issued by the Zoning Enforcement Officer certifying that two prerequisites have been met:
  1. The owner must obtain a Zoning Permit.
  2. The owner, operator, or person in responsible charge shall not permit the pool to be filled or to continue to contain water unless there is a minimum 4-foot enclosure completely surrounding the pool.
- D. **Penalty** --Any person violating any provision of these Zoning Regulations shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$100.00. Each and every day during which such violation continues may be deemed a separate offense.

## Electrical Permit Required for all Pools over 42 inches (42")

All pool motors or pumps must be connected to a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) receptacle. All pools over 42 inches (42") are required to be wired to meet the National Electric Code.

## Questions and Obtaining Permits

If you have a pool or are going to acquire a pool:

### Building Permits

**Shelby County Building Department**

(937) 658-6220

<https://co.shelby.oh.us/building-department/>

**Sidney-Shelby County Health Department**

(937) 498-7249

[www.shelbycountyhealthdept.org](http://www.shelbycountyhealthdept.org)

### Zoning Permits

**Village of Jackson Center**

Ed Maxwell, Zoning Enforcement Officer

Cell (937) 726-1504

Village Office, (937) 596-6314

<https://www.jacksoncenter.com/government/zoning-regulations>