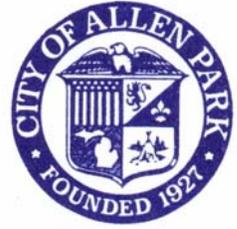


# SWIMMING POOL OR HOT TUB

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If you are planning to install an in-ground or above ground pool, or even just a hot tub, there are strict regulations you must follow. There are liabilities if there is an accident. Will your homeowners insurance cover a claim if there were no permits pulled and no inspections completed when the pool was installed?

Any structure that contains water over 24" in depth and is used for swimming or recreational bathing is by definition a swimming pool.

1. The walls of an above ground pool may be used as the barrier, but any ladder area must then be surrounded by a barrier which meets code. A removable ladder or one that lifts is ***not*** an acceptable alternative.
2. Pools must be located 6 feet away from all property lines and houses.
3. Overhead electric lines can not be placed over or within 10 feet from the walls of the pool, diving board or pool platform.
4. All metal parts of a pool structure, equipment and surrounding areas must be bonded together with the proper wire. (See Figure P-1)
5. All other equipment associated with the pool wiring must be grounded in accordance with the NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE.
6. Switches of any type must be located at least 5 feet from the pool.
7. At least one receptacle must be installed for the pool. This receptacle must be G.F.C.I. protected and located between 5' and 20' from the pool. If the receptacle is located between 5' and 10' from the pool it must be a single locking type receptacle. Either way the proper receptacles and covers must be used. (See Figure P-2)

If you have any questions regarding the wiring of the pool or questions on the requirements, please call the Building Department at 928-4443. Remember, **SAFETY** not money must be the deciding issue when considering using a pool.