

FACT SHEET

SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS, WHIRLPOOLS IN GROUND AND ABOVE GROUND

- All swimming pools, spas or whirlpools shall comply with all requirements of the Building Code.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be permitted without an operable filtering system.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool with a surface area of 150 square feet or more or depth in excess of 2 feet shall be permitted unless it is completely enclosed by a permanent fence with a self-closing, lockable gate which is at least 4 feet in height and conforms to other requirements listed in Section 2003. This requirement does not apply to above ground pools, spas or whirlpools having a wall measuring 4 feet in height and have a retractable ladder. Such fence shall be erected before any swimming pool, spa or whirlpool is filled with water.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be within 10 feet of any property line.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool with a capacity of 10,000 gallons or more shall be constructed or installed unless the Township Engineer has certified that the drainage of such pool, spa or whirlpool is adequate and will not interfere with any domestic water facilities, any sanitary sewage facilities, any streets or any neighboring properties.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool may be erected or installed within any required minimum front, side or rear building setback.
- No swimming pool, spa or whirlpool shall be located closer to the front of the lot than the front wall of the principal building.
- Swimming pools, spas or whirlpools shall be secured from unauthorized access by means of a lockable door, gate, cover or similar control device.
- No water from a pool shall be discharged onto any public street or alley.
- All swimming pool, spa or whirlpool electrical outlets and facilities shall have ground fault devices.
- Swimming pools, spas, or whirlpools shall be inspected by the West Cocalico Township Building Inspector. In-ground pools shall require 2 inspections, a footer/foundation inspection and a final electrical inspection.
- Pools, spas or whirlpools shall not be put in use until after the electrical inspection has been completed.
- Permit fees shall be based upon the cost of the improvement plus cost for (2 INSPECTIONS).