



# TOWN OF PARMA

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## **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR A SWIMMING POOL PERMIT (In-Ground, Above Ground and Storable pools)**

All the following information **MUST** be provided to approve your permit application.

1. A completed Building Permit application
2. Location of the swimming pool shown on a site map or drawn on the property survey.
  - a. Site map or Survey must show the proposed distances to property lines and the pool dimensions.
3. Fence/Pool Barrier details and information
  - a. Fence location must be drawn on the site map or property survey
  - b. Height and spacing of vertical and horizontal members of the fence.
4. Pool alarm details and information (See included information)
5. Proof of Contractor insurance for Liability, Workers Compensation and Disability

### **Facts to consider about Swimming pools**

1. Swimming pools, pool heater and filter cannot be placed forward of the front wall of the main structure. If your property is on a corner, you have 2 front yards. If your property has a road in front and in back, you have 2 front yards.
2. Swimming pools cannot obstruct drainage pathways (Swales, Ditches etc.)
3. Swimming pools cannot be placed in an easement.
4. Swimming pools must meet property setbacks as measured to the waters edge.
5. Portable/temporary pools capable of retaining water to a depth of 24 inches require a permit and must meet NYS Code.

**Each swimming pool shall be equipped with an approved water entry pool alarm which:**

1. Is capable of detecting a child entering the water and giving an audible alarm.
2. Is audible poolside and at another location on the premises.
3. Is classified by Underwriter's Laboratory (or another approved independent testing laboratory) to reference standard ASTM F2208, entitled "Standard Specification for Pool Alarms."

**Where a fence serves as the barrier, the following conditions shall be met:**

1. The top of the barrier must be a minimal of 48 inches above grade.
2. The maximum clearance between the bottom of the barrier and grade shall be 2 inches.
3. Openings shall not allow passage of a 4-inch diameter sphere.
4. If the barrier has vertical and horizontal members, the horizontal members must be on the pool side. Spacing between the vertical members shall not exceed  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches when the distance between the top edges of the horizontal members is less than 45 inches.
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1. Pedestrian gates must be self-closing and self-latching and able to be securely locked when not in use or supervised.
2. Gates must open outward away from the pool enclosure area.
3. If the release mechanism is less than 54 inches from the bottom of the gate:
  - a. It must be on the pool side of the gate and a minimum of 3 inches below the top of the gate.
  - b. Openings in the gate and barrier shall not be greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch within 18 inches of the release mechanism.

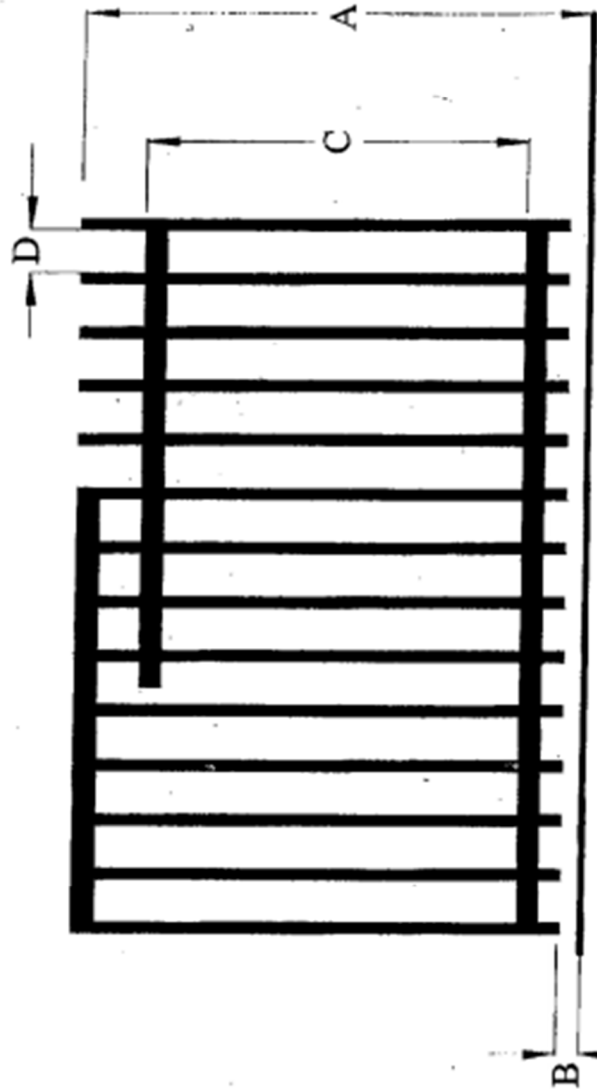
**Where a wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier, the following conditions shall be met:**

1. All doors with direct access to the pool must be equipped with an alarm which produces an audible warning when the door is opened. The alarm must meet the UL-2017 standard.
2. The alarm shall sound continuously for a minimum of 30 seconds immediately after the door is opened and be capable of being heard throughout the house during normal household activities.
3. The alarm shall automatically reset under all conditions.
4. The alarm system shall be equipped with a manual means, such as touchpad or switch, to temporarily deactivate the alarm for a single opening. Such deactivation shall last for not more than 15 seconds. The deactivation switch shall be located at least 54 inches above the threshold of the door.

**Above-ground pools with a minimum wall height of 48 inches can be used as the barrier when the following conditions are met:**

1. The ladder or steps shall be capable of being secured and locked in the up position or removed to prevent access.
2. The grade surrounding the pool must be 48 inches from the top of the pool wall for a minimum of 6 feet surrounding the pool.

## Pool Barrier Fence Example

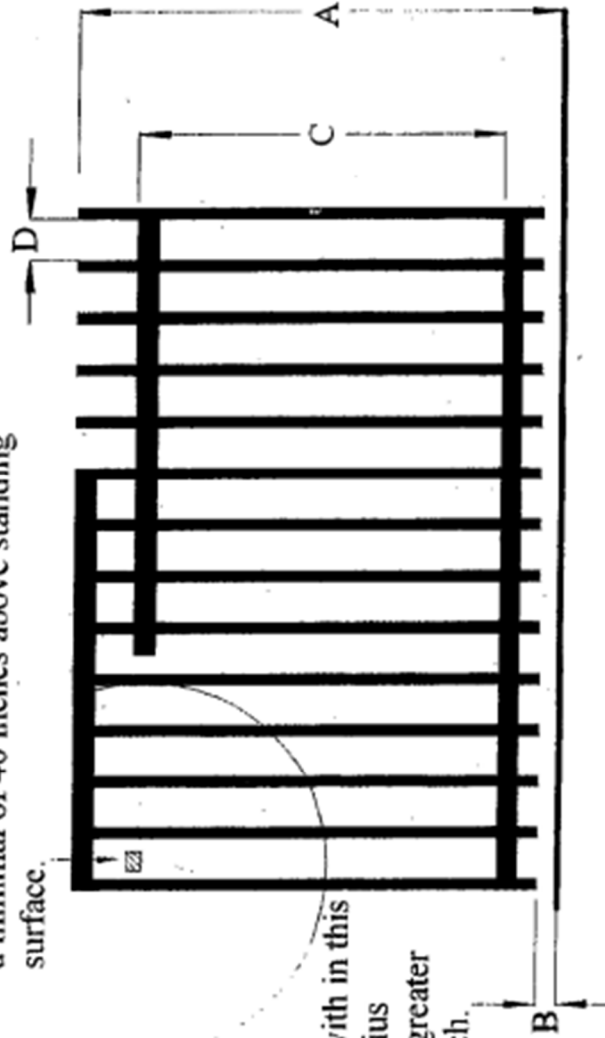


Dimension "A" must be 48 inches minimum from a standing surface to the top of gate.  
Dimension "B" may be 2 inches maximum from standing surface to the bottom of gate.  
If dimension "C" is less than 45 inches, dimension "D" cannot be greater than 1-3/4 inches.  
Dimension "D" can never be greater than 4 inches.

## Pool Barrier Gate Example,

with latch release less than 54 inches above a standing surface and located on the pool side.

Latch release located a minimal of 3 inches below the top of gate and a minimal of 40 inches above standing surface.



Openings with in this 18 inch radius can not be greater than 1/2 inch.

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# SITE MAP EXAMPLE

