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Private Swimming Pools And Hot Tubs

Zoning regulations for the placement of swimming pools & hot tubs in residential districts.



This information applies to private and semi-private swimming pools, hot tubs and similar structures when accessory to a residential use in both the Town of Carman and the Rural Municipality of Dufferin.

Outdoor pools and hot tubs shall comply with yard requirements for accessory buildings, structures and uses as set forth in the relevant Use and Site Requirement Tables of each municipality. Notwithstanding the above requirements no outdoor pool or hot tub shall be located closer than five (5) feet to any side or rear site line.

All outdoor pools and hot tubs shall be completely enclosed with a fence or other suitable barrier constructed or erected in accordance with the following:

- It shall have a minimum height of six (6) feet including gates that shall be self-closing and equipped with a lockable latch to prevent unauthorized entry.
- There shall be no openings other than an entry to a building or a gate and it shall be constructed so as to prevent a child from crawling under either the fence or gate.

- Where other than chain link is used, the outside surface of the enclosure shall be relatively smooth so as not to provide foot or toe holds.
- The enclosure surrounding an outdoor pool shall be maintained in good repair.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Yard Exceptions of each municipality open decks and open stairways associated with outdoor pools or hot tubs may project to any side or rear site line.

Semi-private pools, when not located on a single-family dwelling site or used solely by the occupants of the dwellings or their guests are subject to the regulations governing swimming pools under The Public Health Act.

Nothing in this information shall relieve any such structure from complying with spatial, structural, electrical, plumbing, health and safety or operational requirements contained in regulations under The Buildings and Mobile Homes Act, Public Health Act or other applicable statutes.