

Chapter 13

SWIMMING POOLS

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13.01 DEFINITIONS.

"Swimming pool" shall mean any body of water 24 inches or more in depth, contained in an artificial or semi-artificial receptacle or other container, above or below the surrounding grade, intended to be used for swimming by adults or children, whether or not any charge or fee is imposed upon such adults or children, operated and maintained by any person whether he be owner, lessee, operator, licensee or concessionaire, and shall include all structures, appurtenances, equipment, appliances and other facilities appurtenant to and intended for the operation and maintenance of a swimming pool.

13.02 PERMIT REQUIRED.

(a) No person shall construct a swimming pool in the Village without a permit. Before work is commenced on the construction of a new swimming pool or any alteration or addition, remodeling or other improvement to an existing swimming pool, an application for a permit to construct containing the pertinent explanatory data shall be submitted to the Building Inspector who shall review such application and pertinent data and determine whether the proposed pool complies with the provisions of this Chapter, Chapter 12, and with reasonable standards of swimming pool construction for the protection of public safety and health as prescribed in the rules and regulations promulgated by the Village Board of Trustees pursuant to this Chapter and to Chapter 12 of these Ordinances.

(b) The application for a permit to construct a swimming pool or to alter or remodel any existing swimming pool shall be submitted on such forms as are prescribed by the Building Inspector pursuant to Chapter 12 of these Ordinances. The fee for the permit shall be that established under Section 12.03(6) for these Ordinances.

13.03 LOCATION OF OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS.

Except as hereinafter provided, no swimming pool shall be located so that any portion of the pool or any appurtenances thereto shall be within 6 feet of any side yard or rear property line, nor within 8 feet from any neighboring residence or from any side street property line, nor within 60 feet from any front property line, nor within 10 feet of any overhead electrical service or power transmission line.

13.04 FENCING REQUIRED.

Except as herein provided, every outdoor swimming pool shall be completely surrounded by a fence or wall not less than 4 feet in height, which shall be so constructed as not to have

openings, holes, or gaps larger than 4 inches in any dimension except for doors and gates. Picket fences are permitted provided there is not more than a 4 inch horizontal gap. A dwelling house or accessory building may be used as part of such enclosure. All gates or doors opening through such enclosures shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices for keeping the gate or door securely closed at all times when not in actual use.

Swimming pools which are so constructed so as to extend a minimum of 4 feet above the surrounding grade and are equipped with a removable safety ladder shall be exempt from required fencing. The area surrounding said pools shall be kept free of any chairs, tables, or other equipment which may provide access to the pool by unsupervised children. Pools equipped with a safety cover which will support a minimum of 150 pounds and which is securely locked in place when the pool is not in use shall also be exempt from required fencing.

These requirements shall be applicable to all swimming pools, other than indoor pools, and shall apply to all existing pools which have a minimum depth of 24 inches of water. No person in possession of land within the Village either as owner, purchaser, lessee, tenant, or licensee, upon which is situated a swimming pool having a minimum depth of 24 inches shall fail to provide and maintain such fence or wall except in such cases as are specifically exempt above.

The Building Inspector may permit other protection devices or structures to be used so long as the degree of protection afforded by the substitute devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the devices described herein.

13.05 ELECTRICAL SERVICE AND WIRING.

The provisions of Article 680 of the National Electrical Code 1981 defining the minimum requirements necessary in regard to the construction and installation of electrical wiring for equipment in or adjacent to swimming pools is hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this chapter as if fully set forth herein and compliance with said Article 680 shall be required for every swimming pool whether moveable or permanent. A copy of the Electrical Code shall be maintained by the Building Inspector at his office at the Village Hall.

13.06 PERIODICAL INSPECTION.

The Building Inspector shall inspect or cause to be inspected all swimming pools within the Village at such times as he may deem necessary to carry out the intent of this Chapter. The Health Officer is authorized to enter upon any premises, private or public, at such times as he may deem necessary and to

require the owner, proprietor or operator to comply with the rules and regulations pertaining to swimming pools promulgated by the Building Inspector and the Health Officer in accordance with this Chapter.