

ABOVE GROUND POOL GUIDELINES



THINKING OF INSTALLING AN ABOVE GROUND POOL? HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW!

Permits

You'll need the following permits:

- [Building permit](#)
- [Electrical permit](#)
- [Gas permit](#) (If using a heater)

You can combine the pool and the deck under one permit or apply separately.

Make sure you consider drainage when building your above-ground pool to maintain structural integrity and prevent water damage.

Rules for outdoor pools:

The entire area of an outdoor swimming pool must be fully enclosed to prevent unauthorized access.

The height of the enclosure must be more than:

- 1.8 m for a private swimming pool, and 2.0 m for all other swimming pools (above the outside ground level).

The fence must have a gate which is:

- the same height as the fence
- equipped with a self-closing and self-latching device
- capable of being locked

Inspections

Inspections are required on all permits and must be compliant. You will receive all inspection reports.

FOR HELP WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

EMAIL:

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IN PERSON:

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OFFICE HOURS:

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Friday

RESOURCES:

[Safety Codes Council information for swimming pools](#)

[National Building Code – 2023 Alberta Edition](#) (Part 7.2.5 Above-Ground Swimming Pools)



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