

Swimming Pool Safety Bulletin

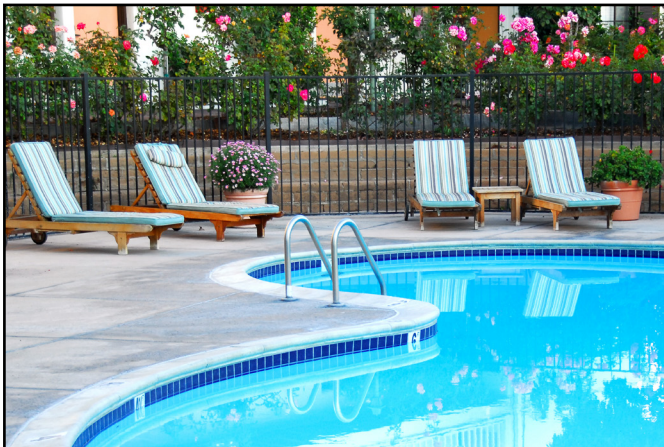
Recent amendments to the District of Lake Country's Building Regulation Bylaw 1070, 2018 requires swimming pools to be protected by a safety fence. The following information is to provide guidance to applicants; site specific consultation may be required on a case by case basis.

Building Permits ensure that the placement of the pool limits:

- unsupervised entry,
- nuisances to neighboring properties (placement of pool equipment), and
- risks to structures placed in restricted covenanted areas or sensitive areas such as steep banks.

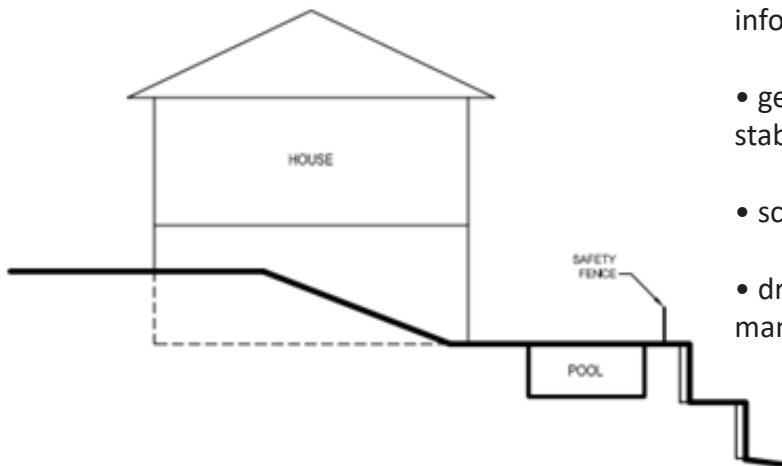
Permit applications shall include:

- site plan showing location of pool, including setbacks to property lines and existing structures, fencing, decks, pool equipment sheds and retaining features.
- minimum one cross section.
- pool safety fence specifications, including design, type of materials used for the enclosure, gate



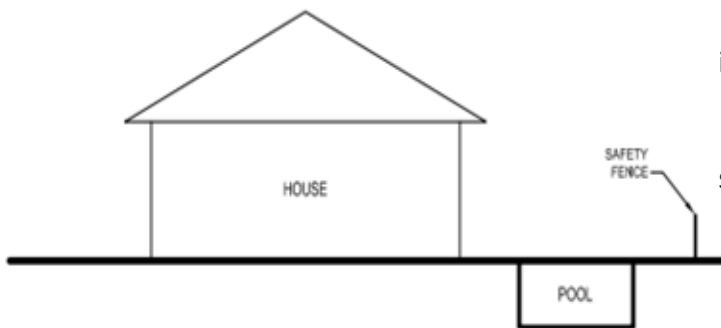


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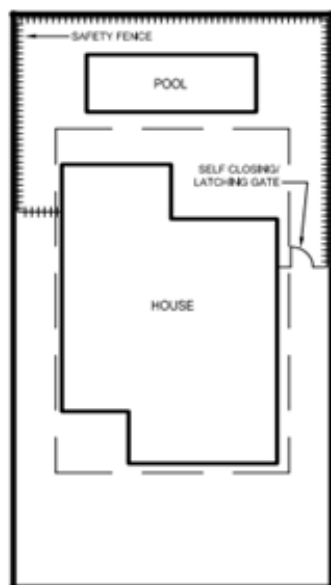
- swimming pool safety fencing required (see additional information for fencing and gate specifications).
- geotechnical Schedule B for bearing capacity and slope stability.
- schedule B and sealed drawings for retaining walls.
- drainage control plan to follow the districts stormwater management bylaw.

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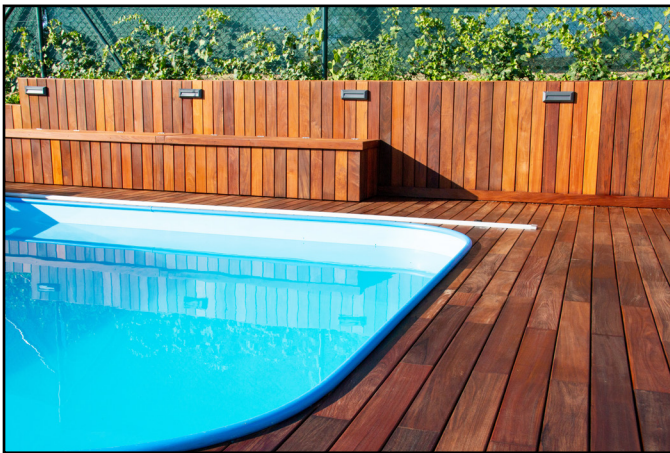
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- site plan to be included with application, to include location of safety fence and location of any/all self closing gates.

Fencing

Please refer to building and zoning bylaw requirements for minimum and maximum limits. It is suggested that fencing used be a design and material that inhibits climbing from the exterior side. Latches should be positioned to not allow people to reach through or over a fence. Rural properties surrounded by fencing will require access gates to the property to be self-closing or the local area around the pool will be required to meet fence requirements. Please consult with the Building Department prior to installation.



Pool drainage

Drainage from pools and hot tubs must be contained and disposed of on the same property as the pool is located and discharged to ground where practical to do so. Filling a pool or hot tub via a hose should have a back flow device to prevent pool water from being siphoned back into the house water system.