

# Concord Township Zoning Department

## Informational Sheet #3: Swimming Pools

### 1) There Are Two Major Categories Of Swimming Pools, Temporary And Permanent.

- A **Permanent Swimming Pool** is defined as an artificial tank or structure, either in-ground or above-ground, intended for recreational swimming purposes, with a diameter greater than six (6) feet and designed to contain greater than two (2) feet of water at any point. Permanent swimming pools are erected and maintained on a property year-round.
- A **Temporary Swimming Pool** is defined as an above ground tank or structure designed for swimming purposes, but which are not permanently installed and are only permitted to be erected on a property within a designated time frame. Temporary pools include, but are not limited to, inflatable, blow-up, plastic structures intended to be used as pools by children.

### 2) What Are The Requirements For A **Permanent Swimming Pool**?

- **Permanent pools**, both in-ground and above ground, shall be enclosed on the property by a fence, no less than four (4) feet in height, to prevent access to the pool except through a controlled point.
- Above-ground pools with a vertical side wall of at least four (4) feet, as measured by the adjoining grade, with a removable or locking access ladder to the pool do not need a fence.
- Swimming pools must be at least 15 feet from any side yard lot line and at least 10 feet from any rear yard lot line. Swimming pools must be at least 80 feet from the center of the road.
- A **Zoning Permit is required** for permanent pools.

### 3) What Are The Requirements For A **Temporary Swimming Pool**?

- **Temporary pools** with a height of four (4) feet or less shall only be erected on a property, whether containing water or not, **from May 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>** of the same calendar year.
- **No Zoning Permit is required.** However, if the pool is left up beyond the dates indicated above, it shall be required to comply with the permanent pool regulations.

### 4) What Is Needed To Complete A Zoning Permit Application For A Permanent Swimming Pool?

- A diagram or site plan (drawn to scale) that shows the size and the proposed location of the swimming pool and fence, if required.
- Proposed setback distances need to be clearly indicated on the diagram or site plan.
- Zoning Permits shall be completed at the Zoning Office.

### 5) What Is The Zoning Permit Fee For Swimming Pools?

- **\$25.00** for above-ground swimming pools
- **\$50.00** for in-ground swimming pools (includes fee for fence)

### 6) Are There Any Other Permits Needed?

The Lake County Building Department also requires a "building permit" for swimming pools. Contact the Building Department for more information (350-2636).

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