

Swimming and Wading Pools

DEFINITIONS

- ◆ A swimming pool is a water-filled structure—whether permanent or temporary, in-ground or above ground—that is capable of holding 24 inches or more of water.
- ◆ A wading pool is a water-filled structure which is portable, has a depth of 24 inches or less at any point, and is primarily intended for the use of young children.



REQUIREMENTS

- ◆ Private swimming pools that are able to hold 24 " or more in depth shall be completely surrounded by a non-climbable fence or barrier at least 48" in height above the finished ground level.
- ◆ All gates and doors in such barriers must be self-closing and self-latching.
- ◆ Wading pools are exempt from fence or barrier requirements.
- ◆ All pools in "R" District shall be located in side or rear yard and shall observe a ten (10) foot setback from any principle structure, accessory structure and property lines.

PERMITS

- ◆ A permit is required by the City of Norwalk for all swimming pools as defined above. A separate fence permit is required for the non-climbable fence or barrier.
- ◆ Permits for permanent swimming pools—those which are not taken down annually are \$40.
- ◆ Permits for temporary swimming pools—those which can be easily taken down annually—will be charged a flat rate of \$25 each year prior to set up.

PROCESS

- ◆ Obtain and fill out a permit application from Development Services Department at Norwalk City Hall or online at: www.norwalk.iowa.gov
- ◆ Submit a completed application with a copy of the plans, specs; including details of the proposed size, location, and materials used.
- ◆ After an application and all required information has been submitted, the Department has 12 business days to review the application.
- ◆ Once the permit has been approved and paid for, you may begin your project.
- ◆ DON'T FORGET TO CALL FOR INSPECTIONS 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.

*The City of Norwalk also recommends that property owners verify the type of structure they desire is allowed under any covenants.



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**



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