

POOL / FENCING INFORMATION



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ST. THOMAS



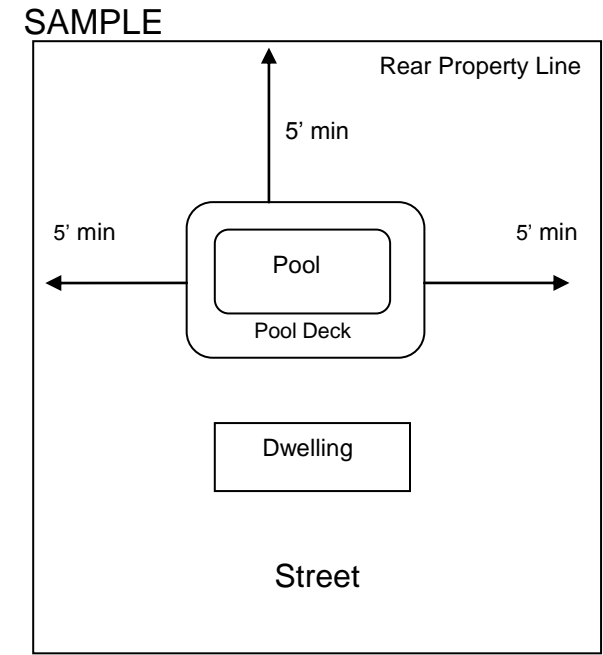
What is required for a Pool Permit?

- The edge of the pool must be a minimum of 5 feet (1.52m) from the property line.
- No part of any swimming pool deck shall be located closer than 1.52m (5') to any lot line
- No pool or pool decking shall be located on an easement
- Utility easement locations are the responsibility of the owner and/or contractor.
- Permits are available at the building department and by visiting our website.
- A site plan is required to show where the pool will be located and the location to the lot lines.

- **All pools and fencing shall have a final inspection prior to filling the pool with water.**

- Call before you dig is the responsibility of the owner.

SITE PLAN FOR POOL



POOL FENCING

Under By-law 126-92:

- ***You require a PERMIT TO INSTALL an above ground or an inground pool.***

- A permit is not required for a hot tub with a lockable lid.



Fencing Facts

- The owner of each privately owned outdoor pool shall erect and maintain a fence around each pool.
- Each fence must be at least 1.2 metres (48 inches) in height.
- Fence to be constructed so that the shortest dimension of any opening in the fence doesn't exceed 100mm. (4 inches).
- Fence to be constructed so that any fence post or other structural member of the fence to which any wire, boards or other materials which are attached to the fence are on the **pool side**.
- Fence to be constructed so that it cannot be used in a manner similar to a ladder (no horizontal boards).
- Gates are to be constructed with a self-closing latch device so that when not in use, the gate is closed and latched at all times.
- The latching device shall be located at the top of the gate on the pool side.

- A fence can be put right on the lot line or just inside on your property (and it is your fence).
- There is NO right or wrong side to a fence. **IF you have a pool either inground or above ground (any pool or pond over 18 inches deep) see pool fencing By-law 126-92**
- A fence can be as high as 2 metres (6'6") including lattice in the rear yard. The rear yard is considered from the front corner of the house to the rear of the lot as long as you are not a corner lot.
- A fence is allowed in the front yard but the height can only be 1 metre (3'.3") and it can only be located on your property **not on City property**.

CORNER LOTS

- If you are on a corner lot and wish to erect a fence the Building Division requires a site plan of your lot. This site plan (see attached sample) should depict where you would like to put the fence, where the driveways are and where the corner is. After the City has obtained the pertinent information the inspector will indicate where the fence can be erected on your lot to avoid any interference with daylight corners and traffic sight lines.

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