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POOL AND SPA SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Health and Safety Code Section (HSC) 115922. (a) Except as provided in Section 115925, when a building permit is issued for the construction of a new pool or spa or the remodeling of an existing swimming pool or spa at a private single-family home, the respective pool or spa shall be equipped with at least two (2) of the following seven drowning prevention safety features:

- 1) An enclosure that meets the requirements of Section 115923 and isolates the swimming pool or spa from the singly-family home.
- Removable mesh fencing that meets American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Specifications F2286 standards in conjunction with a gate that is self-closing and self-latching and can accommodate a key lockable device.
- 3) An approved safety pool cover, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 115921.
- 4) Exit alarms on the private single-family home's doors that provide direct access to the swimming pool or spa. The exit alarm may cause either an alarm noise or a verbal warning, such as a repeating notification that "the door to the pool is open."
- 5) A self-closing, self-latching device with a release mechanism placed no lower than 54 inches above the floor on the private single-family home's doors providing direct access to the swimming pool or spa.
- 6) An alarm that, when placed in a swimming pool or spa, will sound upon detection of accidental or unauthorized entrance into the water. The alarm shall meet and be independently certified to the ASTM standard F2208 "Standard Safety Specification for Residential Pool Alarms," which includes surface motion, pressure, sonar, laser, and infrared type alarms. A swimming protection alarm feature designed for individual use, including an alarm attached to a child that sounds when the child exceeds a certain distance or becomes submerged in water, is not a qualifying drowning prevention safety feature.



- 7) Other means of protection, if the degree of protection afforded is equal to or greater than that afforded by any of the features set forth above and has been independently verified by an approved testing laboratory as meeting standards for those features established by the ASTM or the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).
- (b) Before the issuance of a final approval for the completion of permitted construction or remodeling work, the local building code official shall inspect the drowning safety prevention features required by this section and, if no violations are found, shall give final approval.

HSC 115925. The requirements of this article do not apply to any of the following:

- a) Public swimming pools.
- b) Hot tubs or spas with locking safety covers that comply with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM F1346)
- c) An apartment complex or any residential setting other than a single-family home.

ENCLOSURE CHARACTERISTICS

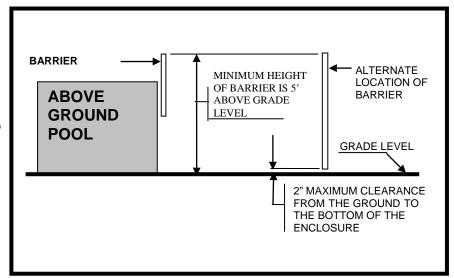
- 1. Access gates through the enclosure shall open away from the swimming pool, and shall be self-closing with a self-latching device placed <u>no lower than 5' above the ground</u>.
- 2. The enclosure shall be <u>no lower than 5' above the ground</u>.
- 3. The maximum clearance from the ground to the bottom of the enclosure shall be no more than 2".
- 4. Gaps and voids shall not allow the passage of a sphere equal to or greater than 4" in diameter.
- 5. An outside surface free of protrusions, cavities or other characteristics, which would serve as handholds or footholds, enabling a child under five years old to climb the enclosure. Chain link fences must have slats or similar material, which minimizes the size of the cavities.

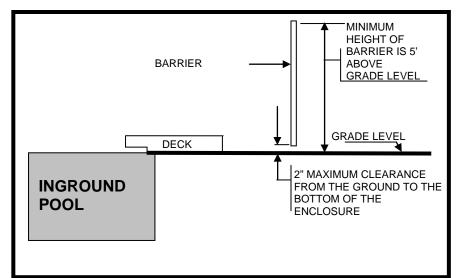
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SAFETY BARRIERS MUST BE IN PLACE AND INSPECTED PRIOR TO FILLING POOL AND WILL BE INSPECTED AGAIN AT POOL FINAL



BARRIER REQUIREMENTS





POOL/SPA NOTES CEC article 680

#8 copper bond

1 GFI electrical outlet required 6'-20' from pool

Wet niche light per CEC 680.23

THE REQUIRED ITEMS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARTY CONSTRUCTING THE BARRIER AND MUST BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO FILLING THE POOL.

I, the undersigned do hereby certify I have read and understand the information letter provided herein.

SIGNATURE DATE