

RESIDENTIAL SWIMMING POOL, SPA, AND/OR HOT TUB SAFETY ACT NOTICE OF REQUIREMENTS

I (We) acknowledge that a new swimming pool, spa, or hot tub will be constructed or installed at (please print street address) _____ and hereby affirm that one of the following methods will be used to meet the requirements of Florida Statutes (F.S.) 515:

Please initial the method(s) to be used for your pool.

- _____ The pool will be isolated from access to the home by an enclosure that meets the pool barrier requirements of F.S. 515.29.
- _____ The pool will be equipped with an approved, safety-pool cover that complies with ASTM F1346 (Standard Performance Specifications for Safety Covers for Swimming Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs).
- _____ All doors and windows providing direct access from the home to the pool and located within the enclosure/fence required by the Pasco County Land Development Code (LDC), Section 530.4(D), will be equipped with an exit alarm that has a minimum sound pressure rating of 85 decibels at ten feet.
- _____ All doors providing direct access from the home to the pool and located within the enclosure/fence required by the Pasco County LDC, Section 530.4(D), will be equipped with self-closing, self-latching devices with release mechanisms placed no lower than 54 inches above the floor or deck.
- _____ In addition to the enclosure/fence required by the Pasco County LDC, Section 530.4 (D), a swimming pool alarm that, when placed in a pool, sounds an alarm upon detection of an accidental or unauthorized entrance into the water. Such pool alarm must meet and be independently certified to ASTM Standard F2208, titled "Standard Safety Specification for Residential Pool Alarms," which includes surface motion, pressure, sonar, laser, and infrared alarms. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "swimming pool alarm" does not include any swimming protection alarm device designed for individual use, such as an alarm attached to a child that sounds when the child exceeds a certain distance or becomes submerged in water.

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT NOT HAVING AT LEAST ONE OF THE ABOVE INSTALLED AT THE TIME OF FINAL INSPECTION OR WHEN THE POOL IS COMPLETED FOR CONTRACT PURPOSES WILL CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF F.S. 515, AND WILL BE CONSIDERED AS COMMITTING A MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE, PUNISHABLE BY FINES UP TO \$500.00 AND/OR UP TO 60 DAYS IN JAIL AS ESTABLISHED IN F.S. 775.

R4501.17.1.10: Where an aboveground pool structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure and the means of access is a ladder or steps, the ladder or steps shall either be capable of being secure, locked, or removed to prevent access, or the ladder or steps shall be surrounded by a barrier which meets the requirements of R4501.17.1.1 through R4501.17.1.9 and R4501.17.12 through R4501.17.14. When the ladder or steps are secured, locked, or removed, any opening created shall not allow the passage of a four-inch diameter sphere.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THE **OWNER AND/OR CONTRACTOR** WILL COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS CONCERNING SWIMMING POOL, SPA, AND/OR HOT TUB ENCLOSURES IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF THE SWIMMING POOL, SPA, OR HOT TUB, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PASCO COUNTY LDC, SECTION 530.4(D):

1. Construct around the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub a **MINIMUM FOUR-FOOT-HIGH FENCE** with self-closing, self-latching gates. The fence must not have any gaps, openings, indentations, protrusions, or structural components that could allow a young child to crawl under, squeeze through, or climb over the fence. Gates must open outward, away from the pool area. The releasing mechanism of the latching device must be located on the pool side of the gate and so placed that it cannot be reached by a young child over the top or through any opening or gap. No opening in the fence may be large enough to admit a four-inch sphere.
2. Construct a screen enclosure around the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub with self-closing, self-latching, screen doors. Latches on exterior, screen doors must be a minimum of 54 inches from the exterior access standing surface. All screen enclosures require Building Permits.
3. Provide and utilize an approved, safety, swimming pool, spa, or hot tub cover that complies with ASTM F1346-91 (Standard Performance Specifications for Safety Covers for Swimming Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs). Such cover must be capable of being securely fastened over the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub when not in use.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT one of the enclosures described above will be completed prior to final inspection of the pool, spa, or hot tub.

ADDITIONALLY, I FURTHER UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT the owner will require his/her pool contractor and his/her screen-enclosure contractor (if applicable) to request and successfully pass a final inspection immediately following the completion/installation of the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub.

IF THE SIGNATURE of the contractor acting as agent for the owner appears below, the contractor promises in good faith to make the owner aware of the above-described requirements and penalties before commencing construction.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS

_____ DAY OF _____, 20_____

OWNER OR CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE

NOTARY PUBLIC

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAME ABOVE

**PRIVATE SWIMMING POOLS AND SPAS
REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR
INSPECTIONS AND POOL APPLICATIONS**

Pasco County requires the following information to process applications for private swimming pools.

Applicants are required to provide a pool layout showing:

1. The pool with a **complete plumbing plan** showing the location of the mechanical equipment and the plumbing lines, vent lines, pipe sizes, flow rates, and pressures.
2. The layout of the pool with dimensions showing steps, swimouts, ladders, and other features.
3. The spa with a plumbing plan.
4. The deck with dimension showing relationship to the house.
5. Location of windows and doors that have access to the pool from the house.
6. The location of the child barrier fence.

Applicants are required to provide the following information:

1. Pool volume: _____ gallons
2. Pump Mfg.: _____ Model No.: _____ Turnover Rate: _____ GPM
HP.: _____
3. Filter Mfg.: _____ Model No.: _____ Flow Rate: _____ GPM
4. Pool Heater Mfg.: _____ Model No.: _____
5. Anti-Vortex Covers Mfg.: _____ Model No.: _____

Applicants are required to provide design drawings showing pool and spa requirements designed to meet the Florida Building Code, with any supplements, certified by a Florida registered engineer or architect.