



Swimming Pool Barrier Requirements

Address: _____ BP#: _____

This notice is to advise you that a permit for a swimming pool has been applied for on your behalf as the owner of the property listed at the address above. You should be aware that under the provisions of the 2019 California Building Code Chapter 31 and City of Rohnert Park Building Code Chapter 15, certain requirements must be complied with concurrent with the building or installation of an outside swimming pool, including an in-ground, above ground or on ground pool, hot tub or spa. For your convenience we have listed below a verbatim copy of those requirements:

2019 CBC Section 3109, subsection 115922(a) and SB442

“...when a building permit is issued for construction of a new swimming pool or spa or the remodeling of an existing pool or spa at a private single-family home, the respective swimming pool or spa shall be equipped with at least **two** of the following seven drowning prevention safety features:

1. An enclosure that meet the requirements of Section 115923 and isolates the swimming pool or spa from the private single-family home.
2. Removable mesh fencing that meets ASTM Standard F2286 standards in conjunction with a gate that is self-closing, 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 alarms may cause either an alarm noise or a verbal warning, such as a repeating notification that states, *“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, “Standards 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 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).”

2019 CBC Section 3109, subsection 115922(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 the section and, if no violations are found, shall give final approval.”



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“An enclosure shall have all of the following characteristics:

- (a) Any access gates through the enclosure open away from the swimming pool and are self-closing with a self-latching device placed no lower than 60 inches above the ground.
- (b) A minimum height of 60 inches.
- (c) A maximum vertical clearance from the ground to the bottom of the enclosure of two inches.
- (d) Gaps or voids, if any, do not allow passage of sphere equal to or greater than four inches in diameter.
- (e) An outside surface free of protrusions, cavities or other physical characteristics that would serve as handholds or footholds that could enable a child below the age of five years to climb over.”

City of Rohnert Park Building Code Ordinance Chapter 15

All new private single-family home pool or spa as described in Chapter 31 Section 3109.2, subsections 115920 through 115929 of the 2019 California Building Code Regulations, Title-24, Part 2 shall be protected by two or more of the seven drowning prevention safety features described in Section 3109.2, subsection 115922. Additionally, perimeter protection at the rear and side property lines are required. Minimum height of perimeter fencing, measured from side facing away from pool area, shall be 60” with a maximum height of 72”. Other perimeter fencing requirements such as size of openings, gate and gate latch criteria and clearance from ground shall be as described in CBC Chapter 31, Section 3109.2, subsection 115923 .

NO INSPECTIONS WILL BE PERFORMED UNTIL THIS FORM HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER AND RETURNED TO THE CITY OF ROHNERT PARK BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

I have read and agree to comply with the barrier requirements.

Signed: _____
(Owner)

Date: _____