

Town of Jerome

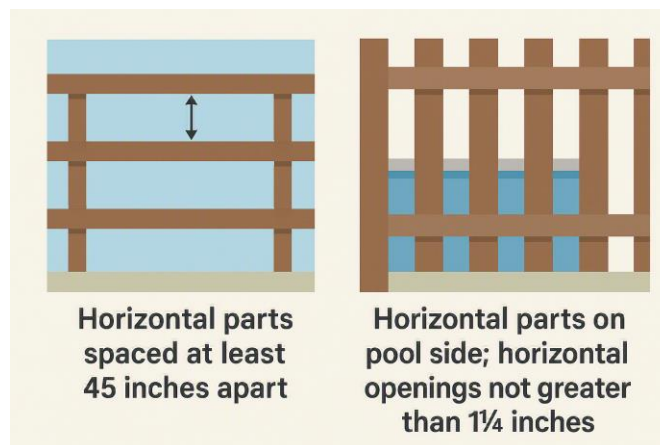
Section X Swimming Pools

A. Construction (modeled after Payson)

1. All swimming pools within the Town of Jerome are to be designed and constructed in accordance with The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2018 Edition, published on or after August 31, 2017 by the International Code Council Inc.
2. No local amendments to the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code are adopted.

B. Enclosures (modeled after ARS)

1. A swimming pool, or other contained body of water with eighteen inches or more in depth at any point and that is wider than eight feet at any point and is intended for swimming, shall be protected by an enclosure surrounding the pool area, as provided in this section.
2. A swimming pool or other contained body of water required to be enclosed by subsection A, whether a belowground or above-ground pool, shall meet the following requirements:
 - a. Be entirely enclosed by at least a five-foot wall, fence, or other barrier as measured on the exterior side of the wall, fence, or barrier.
 - b. Have no openings in the wall, fence, or barrier through which a spherical object four inches in diameter can pass. Any horizontal parts of a wall, fence, or barrier must either:
 - Be spaced at least 45 inches apart vertically, or
 - Be located on the pool side of the barrier, in which case the barrier must not have any horizontal openings wider than 1¾ inches.



Wire mesh or chain link fences shall have a maximum mesh size of one and three-quarter inches measured horizontally.

- c. The wall, fence, or barrier shall not contain openings, handholds, or footholds accessible from the exterior side of the enclosure that can be used to climb the wall, fence or barrier.

d. The wall, fence or barrier shall be at least twenty inches from the water's edge.

e. Gates for the enclosure shall:

1. A pool gate must be self-closing and self-latching. The latch must either be at least 54 inches above the ground, or be located on the pool side of the gate with the release mechanism at least 5 inches below the top and no openings larger than ½ inch within 24 inches of the release. Alternatively, the gate may be secured with a padlock or similar locking mechanism that requires a key, electric opener, or combination, in which case the latch may be at any height.

2. Open outward from the pool.

3. If a residence or living area constitutes part of the enclosure required by subsection B for a swimming pool or other contained body of water in lieu of the requirements of subsection B, there shall be one of the following:

- a. Between the swimming pool or other contained body of water and the residence or living area, a minimum four-foot wall, fence, or barrier to the pool area which meets all of the requirements of [Section X.B.2.a-e](#).

- b. The pool shall be protected by a motorized safety pool cover which requires the operation of a key switch that meets the American Society of Testing and Materials emergency standards 13-89 and which does not require manual operation other than the use of the key switch.

- c. All ground-level doors or other doors with direct access to the swimming pool or other contained body of water shall be equipped with a self-latching device that meets the requirements of [Section X.B.2.e.1](#). Emergency escape or rescue windows from sleeping rooms with access to the swimming pool or other contained body of water shall be equipped with a latching device not less than fifty-four inches above the floor. All other openable dwelling unit or guest room windows with similar access shall be equipped with a screwed-in-place wire mesh screen, or a keyed lock that prevents opening the window more than four inches, or a latching device located not less than fifty-four inches above the floor.

- d. The swimming pool shall be an aboveground swimming pool which has non-climbable exterior sides that are a minimum height of four feet. Any access ladder or steps shall be removable without tools and secured in an inaccessible position with a latching device not less than fifty-four inches above the ground when the pool is not in use.

4. This section does not apply to:

1. A system of sumps, irrigation canals, irrigation, flood control or drainage works constructed or operated for the purpose of storing, delivering, distributing or conveying water.

2. Stock ponds, storage tanks, livestock operations, livestock watering troughs or other structures used in normal agricultural practices.
3. Public or semi-public swimming pools.
4. A swimming pool or contained body of water or barrier constructed prior to the effective date of this article.
5. A person on entering into an agreement to build a swimming pool or contained body of water or sell, rent or lease a dwelling with a swimming pool or contained body of water shall give the buyer, lessee or renter a notice explaining safety education and responsibilities of pool ownership as approved by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

C. Location (modeled after Country Club Hills, IL)

The requirements for the location of permanent pools shall be the same as requirements for the location of accessory buildings and structures within the property's zoning district.

D. Permit Required (modeled after Country Club Hills, IL)

1. No swimming pool, except temporary pools, shall be constructed, enlarged, or altered until a permit has been obtained from the City. Application for a permit shall be accompanied by plans and specifications in sufficient detail to indicate the following

- a. Lot or plot plan showing lot lines, easements, if any, pool area plan, and elevations with dimensions drawn to scale.
- b. Pool dimensions, depths and volume in gallons.
- c. Type and size of filter system, filtration and backwash capacities.
- d. Pool piping layout, with all pipes and valves shown, and the type of materials to be used.
- e. Size, type, and rated capacity of the pool pump.
- f. Location and type of water supply, and waste disposal system.
- g. Location and type of all electrical fixtures.
- h. Conformity with provisions of this Section as required.
- i. Conformity with provisions of Town Building, Plumbing and Electrical Codes as required.
- j. Conformity with The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code

2. Exceptions (modeled after City of Tucson)

- a. Any above-ground pool or water feature designed to hold less than 3,000 gallons or that is less than 18 inches deep shall not require a permit.