

NEW ABOVE GROUND SWIMMING POOL ORDINANCE PROPOSAL

Strike Current Code:

§ 156.058 ABOVE-GROUND POOLS.

Above-ground pools are not permitted in any zoning district.

New Proposed Change:

156.058 Above-ground pools.

- (A) Permitted in any zoning district with a valid permit.
- (B) The City shall issue permits to any who apply so long as the installation of the above ground pool will not increase impervious coverage beyond that which is allowed. The permit shall be valid for two years and can be renewed with inspection of the pool to ensure it is in good repair, holding water, and has the proper safety protections in place. A permit will not be issued nor renewed for pools that are not in use, do not hold water, and/or lack proper safety features.
- (C) Subject to impervious coverage calculations and count as 100% coverage.
- (D) Must follow Water Quality rules outlined in Chapter 50 for swimming pools.
- (E) This does not apply to hot tubs or kiddie pools as defined by the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. These are defined regulated in other sections of the Woodcreek Code of Ordinances.
- (F) Installation of safety features and fencing as outlined in the Internation Swimming Pool and Spa Code are required and must be in place at all times.
- (G) Filling of newly installed pools or refilling of existing pools over 15% of capacity must not be from groundwater sources such as a hose or faucet attached to the dwelling. Pool fills and refills must be from water sources outside of the City of Woodcreek that are purchased and brought in on water trucks. Pool filling receipts must be provided for the approval of the permit or renewal.
- (H) Pools in disrepair, disuse, damaged, or without water must be dismantled and fully removed from the premises.
- (I) Decking and privacy screening around pools is allowed and encouraged so long as it does not increase impervious coverage beyond that which is allowed.
- (J) Installation of above ground pools on patios is permitted and will not count against impervious coverage.
- (K) Installation of above ground pools on existing decking is permitted but will increase impervious coverage calculations and may be subject to inspection for structural integrity and risk of collapse of the deck due to the weight of water. Above ground pools installed on existing decking will be subject to a more intensive permit and inspection process to ensure safety and compliance with necessary structural improvements to the existing decking should they be recommended by a third-party engineering review.
- (L) Above ground pools cannot be placed in the front yard.