



**OWNER CERTIFICATION OF REQUIRED SAFETY FEATURES FOR
SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS & HOT TUBS**

Swimming pools without a power safety cover or a spa without a safety cover complying with ASTM F 1346 shall be protected by a minimum five-foot high enclosure or other barrier that isolates the pool, the pool area, or the parcel on which the pool is located from adjacent properties. Please identify how the pool or spa being constructed will comply with the swimming pool enclosure and safety device requirements contained in Chapter 31 of the California Building Code. The code requirements contained in Chapter 31 are summarized on the reverse side.

If using an enclosure only, select from the following:

- _____ 1. An enclosure which isolates the pool, spa, or hot tub from the home and adjacent properties will be installed in compliance with CBC, Sections 3109.4.1, 3109.4.4.2, and 3109.4.4.3.
- _____ 2. Mesh pool fencing will be used to isolate the home and adjacent properties from the pool. The fencing will meet ASTM F2286. A self-closing and self-latching gate which can accommodate a key lockable device will also be installed in compliance with CBC, Section 3109.4.4.3.

If the house will be used as part of the enclosure or barrier, select at least one of the following:

- _____ 1. An enclosure which isolates the pool from adjacent properties will be installed in compliance with CBC, Sections 3109.4.1, 3109.4.4.2, and 3109.4.4.3. All doors from the residence providing direct access to the pool will also be equipped with exit alarms or approved self-closing, self-latching devices.
- _____ 2. Mesh pool fencing meeting ASTM F 2286 will be installed to isolate adjacent properties from the pool. A gate that is self-closing, self-latching and can accommodate a key lockable device will be part of the fence. All doors from the residence providing direct access to the pool will also be equipped with exit alarms or approved self-closing, self-latching devices.

If using a swimming pool or spa safety cover:

- _____ The pool will have a power safety cover or a spa will have a safety cover that complies with ASTM F 1346.

Other safety features may be approved provided the degree of protection afforded is not less than any of the methods above. Proposals shall be submitted to the Building Official for consideration on a case by case basis.

Any person entering into an agreement to build a swimming pool or spa, or engage in work covered by Chapter 31 of the California Building Code shall give the consumer notice of the required safety features. As the permit applicant for the property located at _____, I certify I have provided this information to the consumer and acknowledge the swimming pool safety requirements identified above must be installed prior to obtaining a pre-plaster inspection.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

The following information is a summary of the swimming pool safety requirements contained in Chapter 31 of the 2010 California Building Code as modified by the Swimming Pool Safety Act, California Health and Safety Code, Section 11592 et seq.

ENCLOSURE

Height and clearances:

- 60" minimum height
- 2" max. from grade to bottom of enclosure

Openings:

- Gaps or voids shall not allow the passage of a sphere equal to or greater than 4" in diameter

Horizontal members less than 45" apart:

- Shall be placed on the pool side
- Spacing between any vertical members shall not exceed 1 ¾" in width
- Decorative cutouts in vertical members shall not exceed 1 ¾" in width

Horizontal members 45" or more apart:

- Spacing between any vertical members shall not exceed 4" in width
- Decorative cutouts in vertical members shall not exceed 1 ¾" in width

Diagonal members:

- Maximum opening shall not exceed 1 ¾" in width

Chain link:

- Maximum opening shall not exceed 2 ¼" square unless slats fastened at the top and bottom reduce the openings to no more than 1 ¾"

GATES

- Gates shall meet the same design requirements as enclosures
- Pedestrian gates shall open away from the pool and be self-closing and self-latching
- Other gates shall be self latching
- Latching devices shall be no less than 60" above the ground

ALARMS

- Alarms shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 2017
- Deactivation switch located 54" or more above the threshold of the door
- Sound continuously for 30 seconds within 7 seconds of the door opening
- Have a sound pressure level of 85 dba or higher
- Have a manual deactivation switch to deactivate the alarm for a single opening not to exceed 15 seconds
- Reset under all conditions