

**Town of Somerset
Resolution 2006-09
Swimming Pool Requirements**

WHEREAS, the Town of Somerset requires a building permit for any swimming pool with a capacity of 5,000 gallons or more; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Somerset has contracted with a licensed building inspector to issue building permits for swimming pools; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Somerset is interested in protecting the health, safety and welfare of all citizens;


THEREFORE LET IT NOW BE RESOLVED, that the following requirements be added to the permit application and issuance for all building permits regarding swimming pools over 5,000 gallons:

1. Application: an application for a building permit shall show:
 - a. Location of pool.
 - b. Location of house, garage, fencing, well, drain field, septic tank
 - c. Location of filter unit, pump, and wiring (involving location)
 - d. Location of back flush and drainage outlets.
 - e. Grading plan, finished elevations and final treatment (deck, landscaping, etc.) around pool.
 - f. Location of existing overhead or underground wiring, utility easements, trees, and other similar features.

2. In the Town of Somerset Residential or Ag.-Residential Districts:
 - a. Pools for which a permit is required shall not be located within 25' feet of any side or rear lot line nor within 10 feet of any principal structure or frost footing. Pools shall not be located within any required front yard or within 15 feet of a septic tank, 25 feet of a well, or 15 feet from a soil absorption site.
 - b. Pools shall not be located beneath overhead utility lines nor over underground utility lines of any type.
 - c. Pools shall not be located in or on any easement of any private or public utility walkway, drainage area or other easement.
 - d. For in-ground pools, due precautions shall be taken during the construction period to:
 1. Avoid damage, hazards or inconvenience to adjacent or nearby property.
 2. Assure that proper care shall be taken in stockpiling excavated material to avoid erosion, dust or other infringement onto adjacent property.

- e. To the extent feasible, back flush water or water from pool drainage shall be discharged on the owner's property or into approved public drainage ways. Water shall not drain onto adjacent or nearby private land without written permission of the owner thereof.
- f. The filter unit, pump, heating unit and any other noise making mechanical equipment shall be located at least 30 feet from any adjacent or nearby residential structure or shall be in sound-restricted enclosure, not closer than 25 feet to any lot line.
- g. Lighting for the pool shall be directed into or onto the pool and not onto adjacent property.
- h. A non-climbable safety fence of at least 4 feet in height or a lockable safety cover shall completely enclose the pool.
- i. Water in the pool shall be maintained in a suitable manner to avoid health hazards.
- j. All wiring, lighting, installation of heating unit, grading, installation of pipes and all other installations and construction shall be subject to the inspection by the Building Inspector.
- k. Required safety fencing shall be installed immediately upon completion of the pool.
- l. There shall be no nuisances such as undue noise, lighting onto adjacent property, health and safety hazards, damage to nearby vegetation, etc.
- m. Drainage of pools into public streets or other public drainage ways shall require permission of the Town Chairperson.

Adopted this 4th day of October, 2006 by the Town Board of the Town of Somerset.


Ed Schachtner, Town Chairperson

Attest: Jeff Koester
Jeff Koester, Clerk/Treasurer