

PERMIT APPLICATION
CITY OF ELMWOOD
201 W MAIN STREET
ELMWOOD IL 61529-9111
309-742-2351

Applicable Building Codes (the following list of codes with amendments)

2006 International Building Code	2006 International Fire Code	2006 International Residential Code
2006 International mechanical Code	2006 International Fuel Gas Code	2006 International Existing Building Code
2004 Part 890 Illinois Plumbing Code		2006 International Property Maintenance Code
Illinois Energy Conservation Code current version		Illinois Accessibility Code
National Electrical Code (NFPA70) current version		

Application for: _____ Residential Building Permit for: _____ Estimate of Value: \$ _____

_____ Dwelling, Attached Garage, Detached
Garage, Porch, Carport, Decks

_____ Swimming Pool Permit Fee: \$ _____

_____ Fence (See Schedule Attached) NO REFUNDS

_____ Commercial Building

_____ Demolition State Roofing License # _____

_____ Sign

_____ *Alteration or Remodeling

(*Alteration" or "remodeling" of existing building or structure shall include any changes in structural members, stairways, basic construction, type, kind or class of occupancy, light or ventilations, means of egress and ingress or any other changes affecting or regulated by the Building code, except for minor repairs of changes not involving any of the aforesaid provisions)

Owner: _____ Address: _____

Contractor: _____ Address: _____

Applicant: _____ Address: _____

Applicant's Contact Number: _____

Construction Site Address: _____

Subdivision: _____
(Any subdivision covenants that apply are the individual's responsibility)

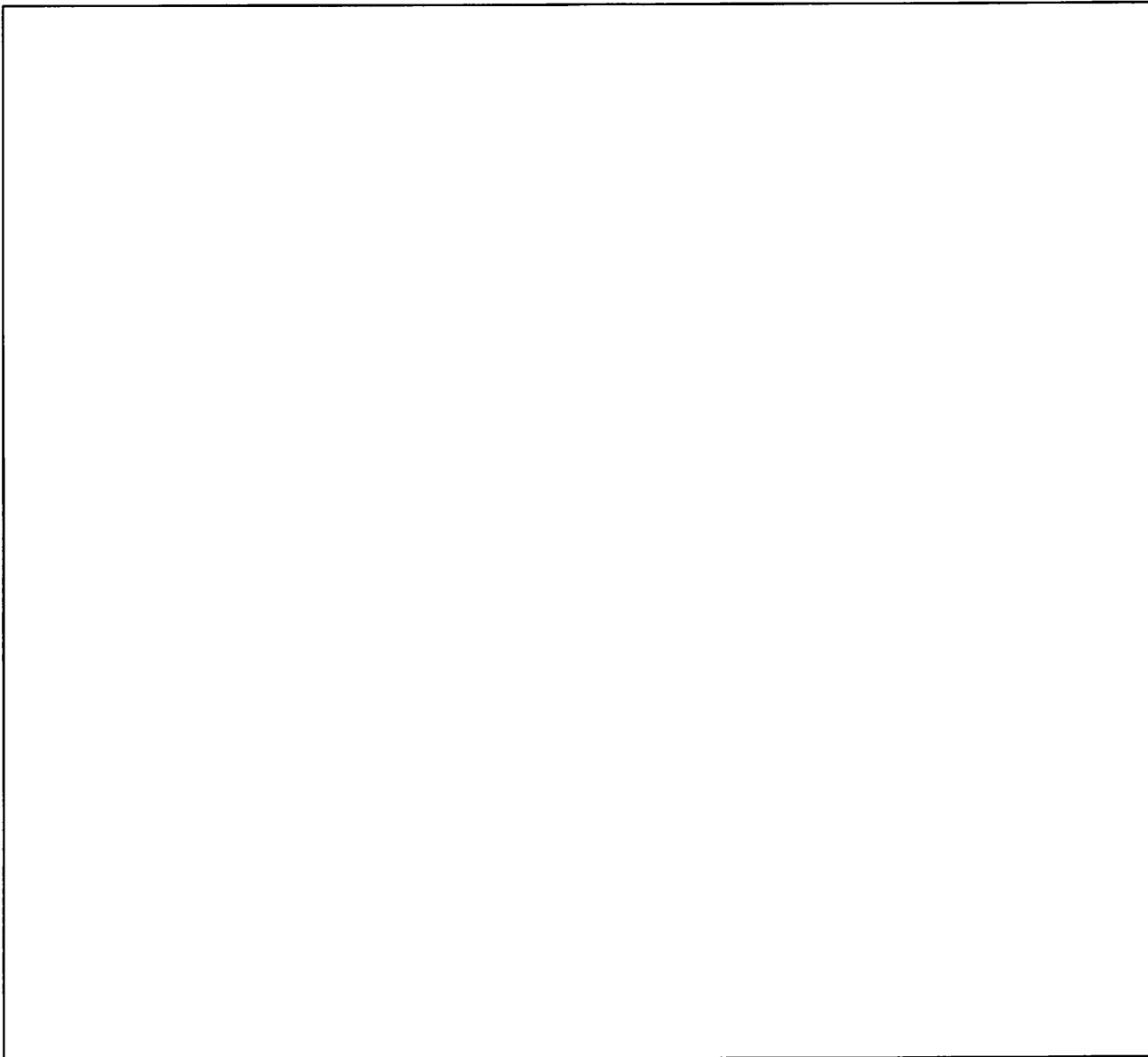
Zoning Classification: _____

Specify use type: _____
(dwelling, fence, etc.)

The layout shown below represents your lot. The dimensions of your lot, width and depth are required to be shown on the layout. Show the location of existing buildings on the lot, the footage from the four property lines, the location of the proposed building with the footage from the four property lines for the new construction. Also show any street and/or alley adjacent to the property as well as North arrow. The research and locations of all easements (e.g. sewer, electric, telephone, gas, water, etc..) is the responsibility of the property owner.

SKETCH ALL STRUCTURES ON THE PROPERTY WITH DIMENSIONS AND SETBACKS.

(IMPORTANT: Setback footage from the property lines should be accurate)



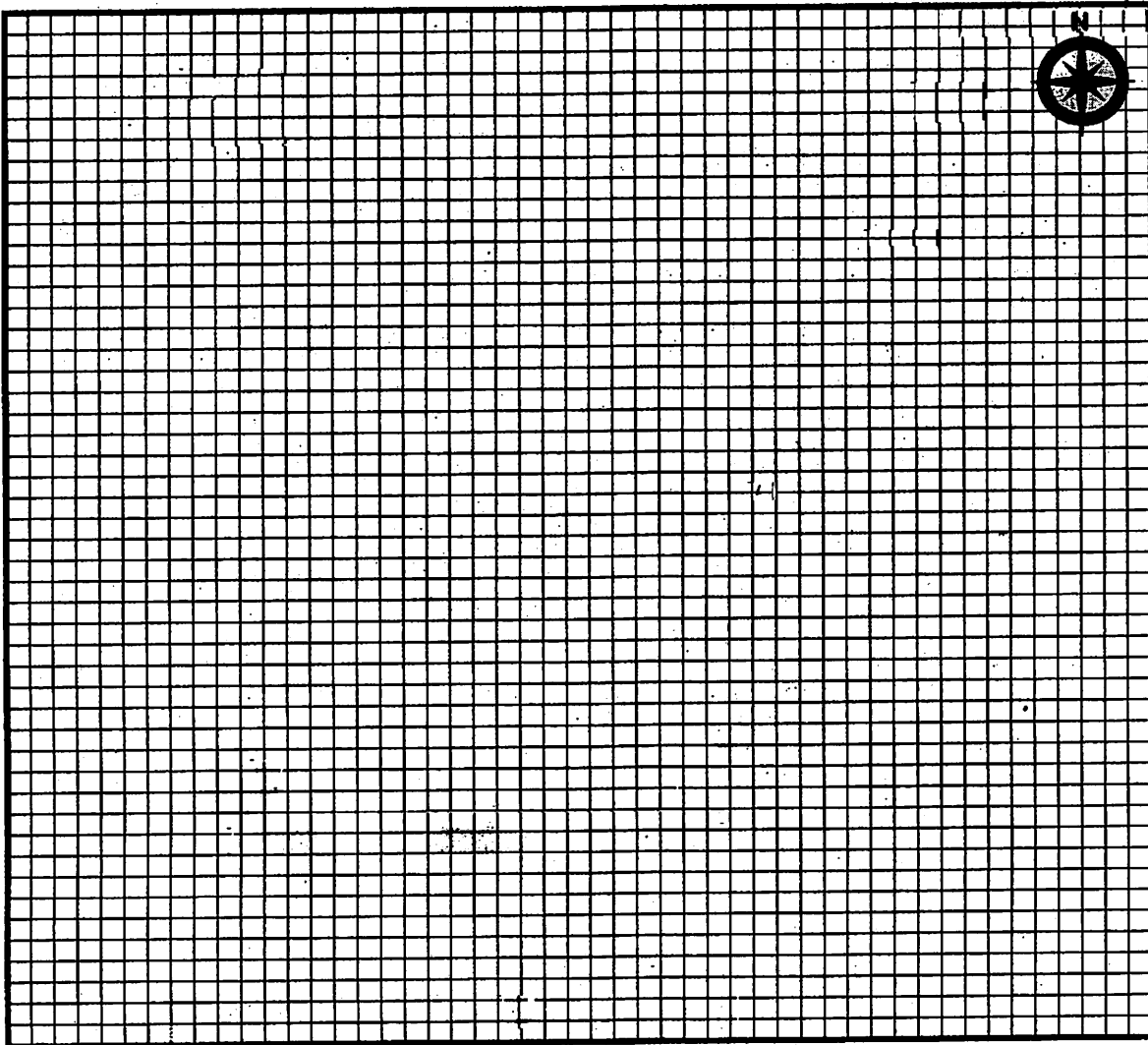
I have carefully read this application and understand and agree to abide by all provisions of the City of Elmwood's Municipal Code and all the State of Illinois laws. Further, I agree and understand the permit issued may be revoked without notice on any breach of representation or conditions.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent

Date

SITE PLAN

size of site: _____ acres or dimensions: _____ X _____




Complete the site plan using blue or black ink. Include the following information on the site plan above or attach a reproducible site plan with the same information:

- all existing and/or proposed buildings and structures and the dimensions of each
- topographical information such as roads, trees, ponds, hills, gullies, streams, etc...
- label all structures (e.g. house, shed, garage, etc...)
- label requests pertinent to this petition

LEGEND

Property line =

Existing structure = 

Proposed structure = 

Fence = 

Tree =

LIST OF CONTRACTORS

1. GENERAL CONTRACTOR: _____

2. FOUNDATION: _____

3. PLUMBING: _____

ILLINOIS STATE LICENSE# _____

4. HVAC: _____

5. ELECTRICAL: _____

6. ROOFING: _____

ILLINOIS STATE LICENSE# _____

CITY OF ELMWOOD
REQUIRED BUILDING INSPECTIONS
(YOU MUST MAINTAIN A SET OF PERMIT DOCUMENTS AT THE SITE)

1. FOOTINGS/EXCAVATION, with
 - a. Form set
 - b. Reinforcing installed
 - c. Erosion control in place
 - d. Temporary electrical service completed

NOTE: For underground/under-slab plumbing inspections contact the Illinois State Plumbing inspector at 217-782-3518.

2. FOUNDATION WALLS (prior to backfill)
3. FRAMING, EXTERIOR ENVELOPE, MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ROUGH-IN

NOTE: Truss engineering package must be included with permit documents. For plumbing inspections contact the Illinois State Plumbing inspector at 309-210-8963.

4. INSULATION
5. FINAL

INSPECTIONS FOR:	BUILDING	RESIDENTIAL	DAVE HALL
	STRUCTURAL		309-368-4460
	HVAC		
	ELECTRICAL	COMMERCIAL	SCOTT WOLF
	FIRE PROTECTION		309-251-7346

INSPECTIONS FOR:	PLUMBING	CALL: BRIAN MCGRATH
		309-276-6195

OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION:

UTILITY LOCATIONS:	(JULIE) 811 OR 1-800-892-0123 or
	www.illinois1call.com

911 ADDRESS ASSIGNMENT	309-495-4886
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AMEREN ILLINOIS	CARINA L. KAPRAUN capraun@ameren.com
	309-693-4719
	309-360-5193

FRONTIER	1-877-462-8188
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BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

ONE-FAMILY AND TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL: NEW CONSTRUCTION, ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS

Fee per square feet.....\$0.50
Minimum fee, new construction.....\$1,000.00
Minimum fee, additions.....\$500.00
Minimum fee, major alterations.....\$250.00
Minimum fee, minor alterations.....\$75.00

COMMERCIAL

Fee per square feet.....\$0.75
Minimum.....\$1,000.00
Maximum.....\$7,500.00

ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, HVAC (Including generators)

New construction, additions.....no additional fee
Alterations.....\$75.00 per additional permit

MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING PERMITS

Swimming pools:
Aboveground.....\$50.00
Partially or totally submerged.....\$100.00

Fences (front yard only).....\$55.00

Sign permit
No electrical.....\$50.00
With electrical.....\$105.00

Demolition permit.....\$50.00

Accessory buildings (other than garages)
< 100 sf.....\$50.00
≥100 sf.....\$100.00

Garages (detached)
<600 sf.....\$250.00
≥600 sf.....\$500.00

Decks.....\$250.00

ZONING CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

City of Elmwood
201 W. Main Street, Elmwood, IL 61529-9111
309-742-2351

The applicant is responsible for completing the application in its entirety, and submitting it to the City of Elmwood with the required fee. If the applicant is different from the property owner, an original owner's consent form must accompany the application at the time of filing. Office hours are 9am – noon and 1 – 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Staff is available to provide additional assistance if needed--- please call in advance to schedule an appointment.

Please complete this form in its entirety.

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

ADDRESS: _____ PARCEL ID: _____ - _____ - _____
CURRENT ZONING DISTRICT: _____ LOT SQUARE FOOTAGE/ACRES: _____

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

NAME: _____ DAYTIME PHONE: _____
____ Owner ____ Tenant ____ Contractor ____ Agent

ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____ FAX: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

By signing this form, I certify that I have read and understand the application and the information provided is true and correct. I understand that the Zoning Certificate is being issued based upon information I have provided on the application; that the certificate will not be valid if the application is found to be untrue or incorrect; and that enforcement action will if the application or improvements are determined to be illegal.

OWNER INFORMATION:

If applicant is not owner, please provide owner's name, address, daytime phone number:

OWNER'S NAME: _____ DAYTIME PHONE: _____

OWNER'S ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

I am applying for a Zoning Certificate for:

- ____ Building permit, complete Attachment A ____ Sign permit, complete Attachment B
- ____ Home Occupation, complete Attachment C ____ Fence Permit, complete Attachment D
- ____ Non-conforming Use, complete Attachment E

The appropriate Attachment must be completed for your application to be processed.

ATTACHMENT A (Zoning Certificate Application)

ZONING CERTIFICATE APPLICATION FOR BUILDING PERMIT

No Zoning Certificate is required for alteration/remodeling that does not involve change of use or expansion of structure(s) and/or use or for demolition.

DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Use		
Building square footage		
Height		
Total # parking spaces, including accessible parking spaces		
Accessible parking spaces		

- Residential***
 Dwelling Attached garage Detached garage
 Porch/Deck Carport Swimming pool
 Expansion of structure(s)
- Non-residential****
 Signs – See Attachment B

*For residential, a site plan required for all applications. 8 ½ x 11' plan drawn to identifiable engineer or architect scale that includes:

- North arrow
- All property lines
- Adjacent streets, alleys, sidewalks
- All parking areas & driveways, indicate surface material
- Exact location of all existing and proposed buildings, including attached garages, detached garages, decks, sunrooms, pools, & sheds
- The proposed structure (includes signs) & the distance the structure will be from all property lines & other structures.

**For non-residential, a site plan required for all applications that includes requirements above for residential plus full size plans drawn to identifiable engineer or architect scale that include:

- Exact locations of all buildings, structures, utility structures, streets, sidewalks, access facilities, including on-site vehicular geometry, proposed utility work in the right of way.
- Parking spaces and aisles with dimensions.
- Number and location of required and provided parking spaces, including accessible parking space and appropriate signs.
- Locations and dimensions of required yards and transitional buffer yards.

- Locations and dimensions of walks, fences, and exterior lighting structures.
- Dumpster, refuse, and recycling locations and screening treatments.
- A landscape plan showing exact location, size, quantity and type of all existing and proposed landscaping.
- Square footage of all existing and proposed buildings
- Signage plan for the project, showing all existing and proposed signage with locations dimensions, and numbers.
- For more intensive projects, the Zoning Administrator may require:
 - Existing and proposed topographic contours.
 - Easements – location, width, and purpose. Appropriate easement documents are required.
 - Method and calculations of stormwater retention.
 - Sanitary sewer calculations.
 - Locations/dimensions of fire hydrants and water mains.

THE FILLING OF THE POOL WITH WATER AND USE OF THE POOL BEFORE THE FINAL INSPECTION AND APPROVAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION, ELECTRICAL, BARRIER, ETC... IS PROHIBITED.

THE USE OF THE POOL PRIOR TO INSPECTION CAN RESULT IN DAILY TICKETS WITH A FINE OF \$100.00 TO \$750.00 PER DAY.



CITY OF ELMWOOD

201 West Main Street
Elmwood, IL 61529

Tel: (309) 742-2351
Fax: (309) 742-8224

SWIMMING POOL PERMIT APPLICATION

1. Complete and submit the permit application. Include all requested information.
2. Provide site plan information on sheet 2. Sign and date application.
3. Permit fees- above ground \$ 50.00
- partially or totally below ground \$ 100.00
electrical if required \$75.00
4. A Zoning Certificate will be completed by the Zoning Administrator.
5. You are required to meet the setback requirements for your zoning district.
6. If you install a fence you must secure a fence permit if the fence is located in the front yard.
7. All installations must meet the requirements of the International Residential Code (2006), the International Property Maintenance Code (2006) and the National Electrical Code (2011), available for your review at City Hall.
8. Upon completion of the installation, contact the City building department to schedule a final inspection.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the number above.

Sincerely,

City of Elmwood
Zoning/Building Code Department

POOLS

- Permanent (requires a zoning certificate) remains up year round.
- Temporary (does not require a zoning certificate) is taken down and removed at the end of the season.
- Above ground (construction fence required if pool does not provide its own barrier and must remain in place until a permanent barrier is installed)
 - height of pool frame
 - height is adjustable (requires a barrier)
 - removable ladder
 - lock up ladder
- In ground (construction fence required must remain in place until a permanent barrier is installed)
- Are there any overhead wires electrical or communication (clearance in any direction to the water level, edge of water surface or base of diving board for overhead conductors is 22 -1/2 feet)
All wiring above pools must be compliant with the National Electrical Code (NFPA70)current version and the Utility Company.
 - height of wires
- Are there any underground wires located within 5' of the edge of the pool
- Location of a GFCI receptacle for the pump motor
- Length of the factory installed cord for the pump motor (an extension cord cannot be used)
- Any metal parts (requires bonding)
- Electrical permit application required pool with pool permit application

SWIMMING POOLS

Property Owners and Contractors: It is important that you understand your responsibilities as defined in this attachment to your permit.

These items are your responsibility:

1. **Electrical Work:** Electrical permits are required for items such as power to pumps and filters, and pool lighting. An extension cord **cannot** be used. An electrical permit must be obtained by a licensed electrical contractor or the owner/occupant of the single family dwelling. Electrical permits for swimming pools must be obtained **before or concurrent** with the pool permit.
2. **Fencing:** The pool area must be fenced in, or have a proper barrier before the pool has any water put into it.
 1. Every person owning land on which there is situated a swimming pool shall erect and maintain thereon an adequate enclosure surrounding either the property or pool area. Such enclosure, including the gates, must not be less than forty eight inches high and shall meet all the requirements of the 2006 IRC. The enclosure of fence shall be constructed of durable material, which may be of galvanized steel fabric, metal, wood, masonry or other material that will provide for permanent separation. All posts and fitting used shall be substantially sound. All gates must be self-closing and self-latching.
3. There are inspections that must be made during the construction and a final inspection that must be made before the pool can have water placed into it and used*
4. A Certificate of Use shall be issued upon completion of a final inspection. Failing to have proper inspection and a Certificate of Use prior to the use of the pool may result in daily tickets with a fine of \$100.00 to \$500.00.
5. All pools shall have a construction fence (48 inch minimum in height) in place during construction until the permanent barrier is installed.

THE POOL CANNOT BE USED SAFELY UNTIL ALL OF THIS IS DONE.

*A Minimum amount of water may be placed in the pool to hold the liner in place during construction.

SWIMMING POOLS - REQUIRED PERMITS

Definition:

Swimming Pool means and includes any private or public swimming pool, tank, hot tub or other device that is artificially constructed, to provide recreational facilities for swimming, bathing or wading, whether of permanent construction or portable in nature, upon any premises, which has a depth at any point in excess of 24 inches, and whether said pool is below ground level, above ground level, or partly above and partly below ground level.

Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs & Spas must conform to the 2006 International Residential Code. The purpose of these requirements is to provide an integrated level of protection against potential swimming pool drowning through the use of physical barriers and warning devices. It is not intended as a substitute for adult supervision of children.

A Swimming Pool permit is required to construct, replace or install all in-round and above ground swimming pools, spas or hot tubs. Wading pools less than 24 inches deep do not require a permit.

A site plan must be provided to the Planning and Growth Development department for the required zoning certificate. A zoning certificate is not required for temporary pools (ones that are taken down and stored at the end of the season). The site plan must indicate the following:

- Property lines, easements, right of ways and overhead utilities adjacent to the pool
- Existing structures, fences, retaining walls
- Proposed pool shape, dimension, relation to setbacks, side yards, clearance of existing structures and proper barriers
- Proposed mechanical equipment
- Proposed deck

A building permit application must be submitted with a structural plan that indicates the pool dimensions, type of construction, details of any deck, and the exact type and dimensions of the barrier to be installed. Include specific details on the gates to be used or the door alarms to be installed.

An Electrical permit is required for items such as power to pumps and filters, and pool lighting. An extension cord **cannot** be used. An electrical permit must be obtained either by a licensed electrical contractor or the owner/occupant of the single family dwelling. Electrical permits for swimming pool must be obtained **before or concurrent** with the building permit.

The electrical plan must indicate the following:

- Location of all outlets, conductors and pool equipment
- Sizing of all conductors - Underground installation must be in galvanized rigid steel or non-metallic conduit with a minimum #12 THWN
- Grounding of all equipment and ground fault interrupters
- Bonding detail of all components including lighting (indicate type of lights)
- Show location of all overhead and underground wires

A permit for HAVC work shall be required for heated pools.

SWIMMING POOL SAFETY ENCLOSURES

Swimming Pools, Hot Tubs & Spas must conform to the 2006 International Residential Code. The purpose of these requirements is to provide an integrated level of protection against potential swimming pool drowning through the use of physical barriers and warning devices. It is not intended as a substitute for adult supervision of children.

The top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches above grade measured on the side of the barrier that faces away from the pool. The maximum distance between the bottom of the barrier and the grade is 2 inches.

All above ground pools with sidewalls that are at least four feet high (measured from the top of grade to the top of the pool wall) do not require enclosure by a separate fence as long as the pool has a removable or lock-up ladder except for pools that are adjustable in height. Ladder shall be removed or locked up when not in use.

A deck with stairs down to the ground (around or next to a pool) shall be built with a normal 36 inch high guardrail with pickets not more than 4 inches apart except at the end where the stairs will be located. The guardrail on this end is built 48 inches high. Latch hardware must be located on the pool side of the gate as specified in the 2006 IRC.

Barriers shall be located so as to prohibit permanent structures, equipment or similar objects from being used to climb the barriers. The purpose of a swimming pool barrier would be defeated if children could climb on benches, planters, pumps and similar permanent features adjacent to the barrier and gain access to the pool area.

When the house is used as part of the barrier for the pool the protection of all door openings which give access to a swimming pool shall be as follows:

1. Use of an approved power safety cover. OR
2. Doors shall be equipped with an alarm.

Door alarms must produce an audible warning when the door and or its screen are opened. The alarm shall be listed in accordance with UL 2017.

The audible alarm shall activate within 7 seconds and sound continuously for a minimum of 30 seconds after the door and/or its screen is opened.

The alarm must be capable of being heard throughout the house during normal household activities.

The alarm shall automatically reset under all conditions.

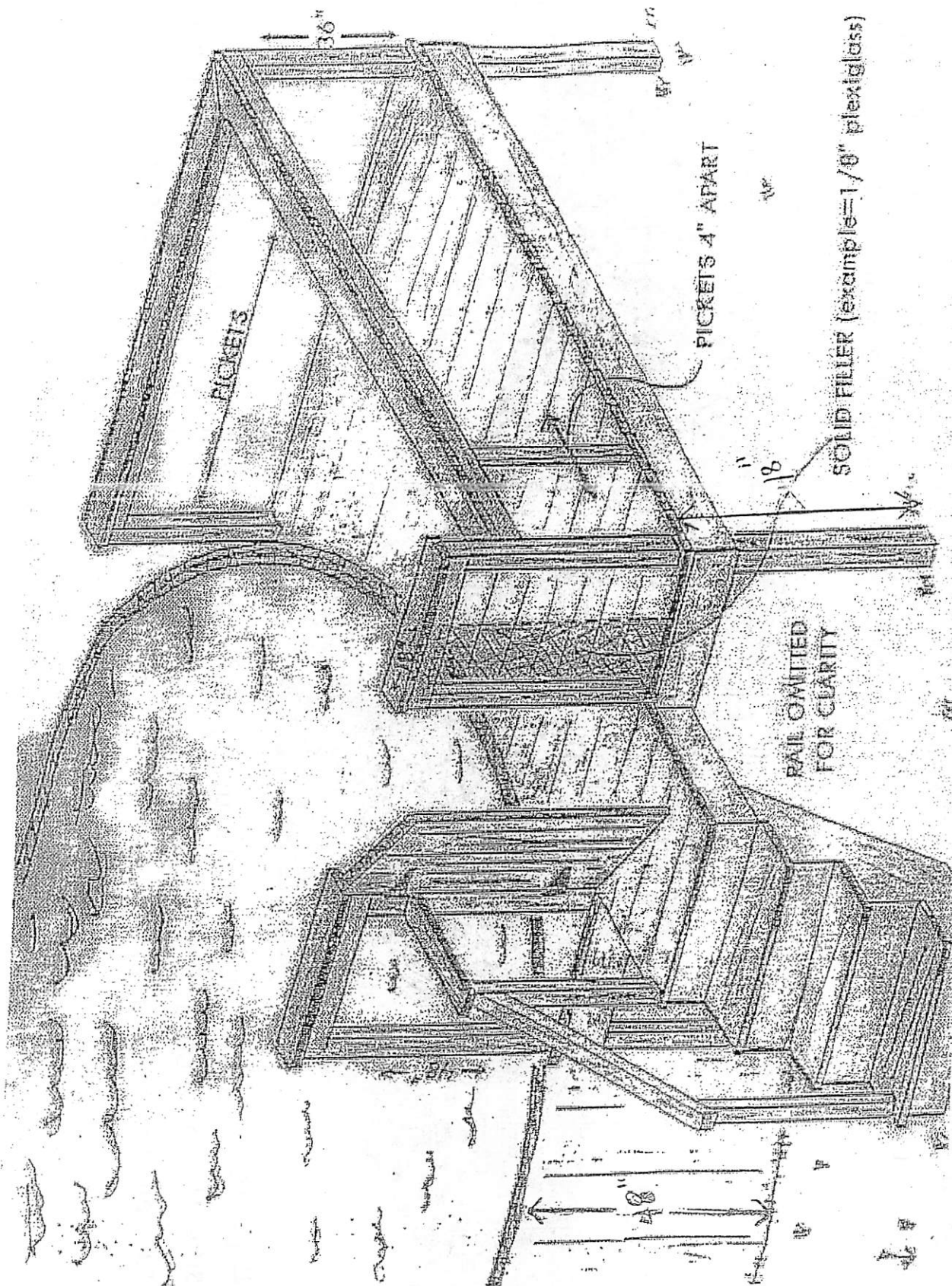
The alarm system shall be equipped with a manual means (touch pad or switch) to temporarily deactivate the alarm for a single opening. Deactivation shall last not more than 15 seconds.

Deactivation switches shall be located at least 54 inches above the threshold of the door.

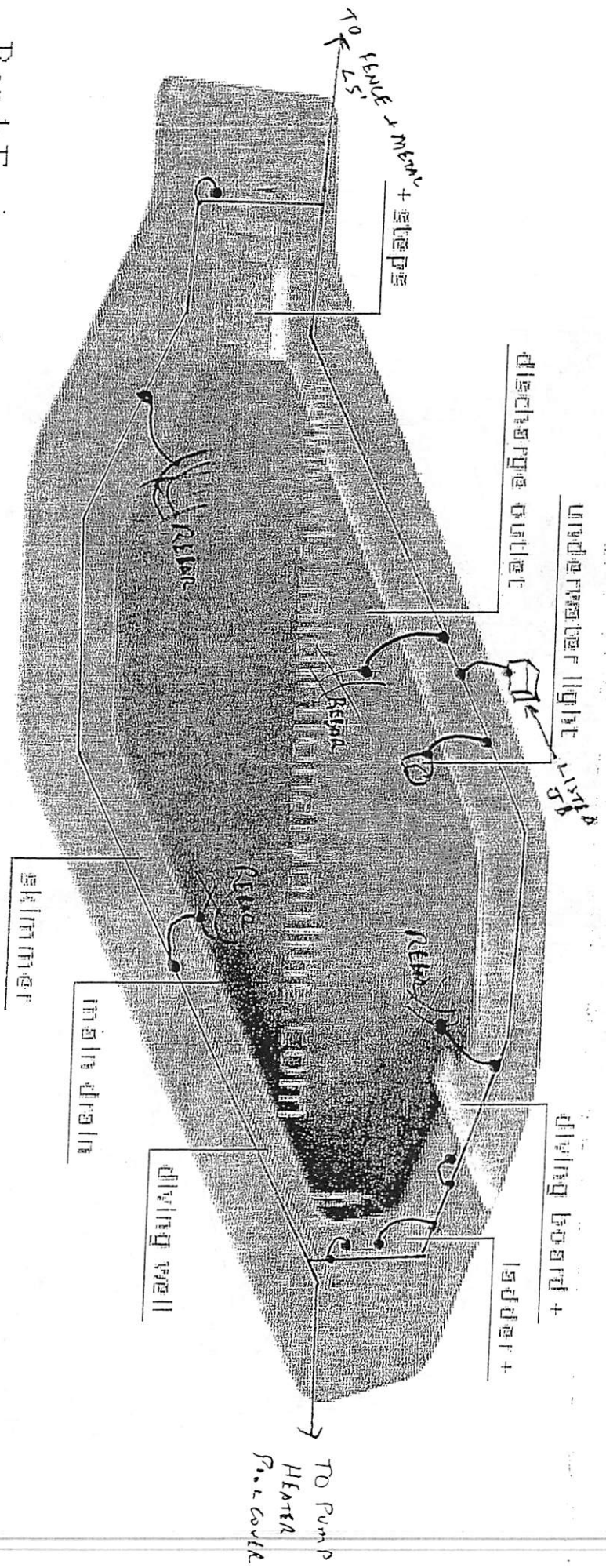
Indoor pools: When a pool is located completely within a house, the walls that surround the pool should be equipped to serve as pool safety barriers.

It is the responsibility of the permit holder of the swimming pool to install all permanent barriers.

It is the responsibility of the pool contractor to inform the new pool owner that the barrier requirements must be maintained.

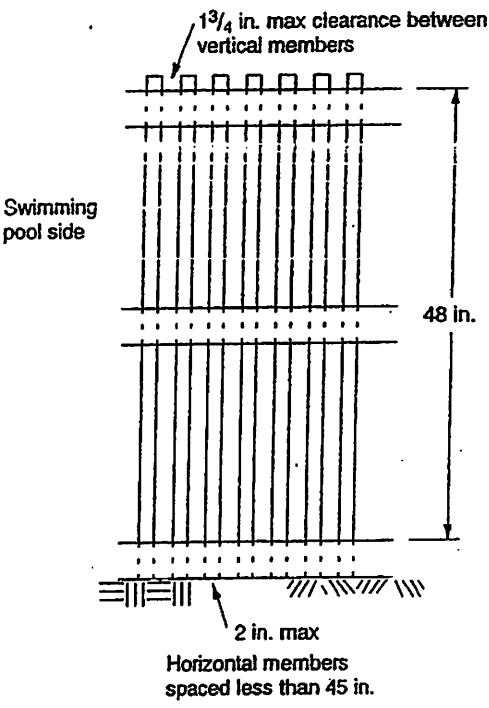
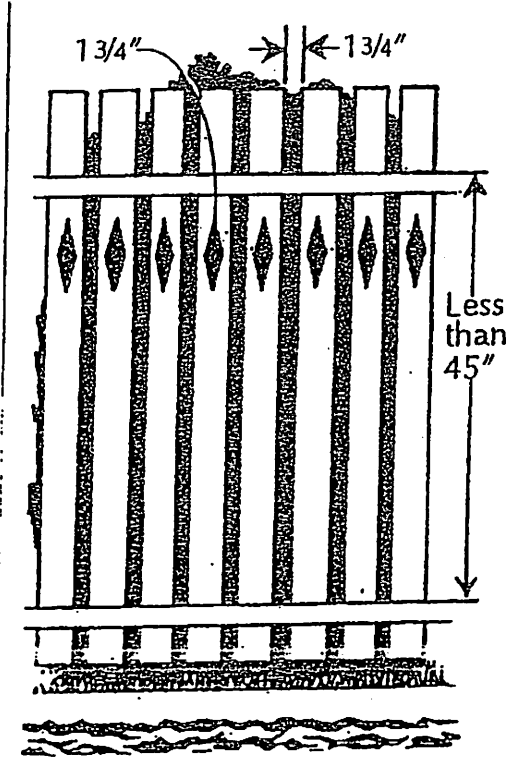


#8 Solid Bare Copper wire bonds perimeter to pool wall steel at 4 equal/distant points. This wire is embedded in pavement or is unpaired-buried 4" to 6" deep. It is run following the perimeter of the pool 18" to 24" from pool wall. May bond other items to it.



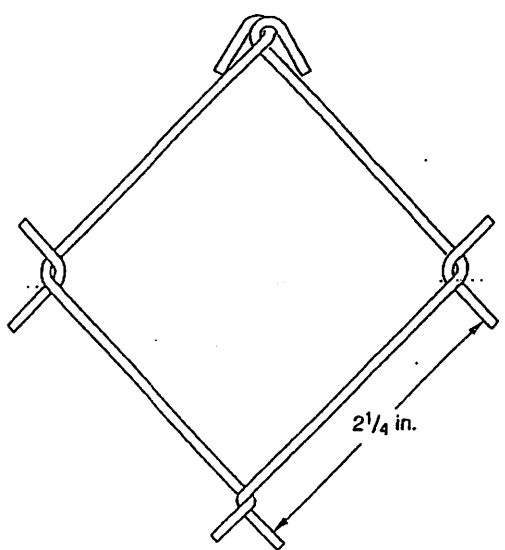
Bond: Equipment (pump and heater), metal items within 5' of water, underwater luminaire shell, listed JB connected to shell, ladder, water (9 sq in), handrails, pool cover motor and frame, all structural steel

The more stringent 1-3/4 inch provision for spacing between vertical members applies when the spacing between horizontal members is less than 45 inches. It acknowledges the potential for a child to gain both a handhold and a foothold by limiting the space between the vertical members on the same barrier.



Maximum mesh size for chain link fences shall be 2-1/4 inches. The mesh size is permitted to be larger if slats are used to reduce the mesh openings to 1-3/4 inches in order to reduce the potential for a child to obtain a foothold or handhold.

Lattice fences, the maximum opening formed by the diagonal members shall not be more than 1-3/4 inches.



For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

Figure AG105.2(3). CHAIN-LINK FENCE MESH FOR PRIVATE SWIMMING POOLS

Pedestrian access gates shall open outward away from the pool and shall be self-closing and have a self-latching device.

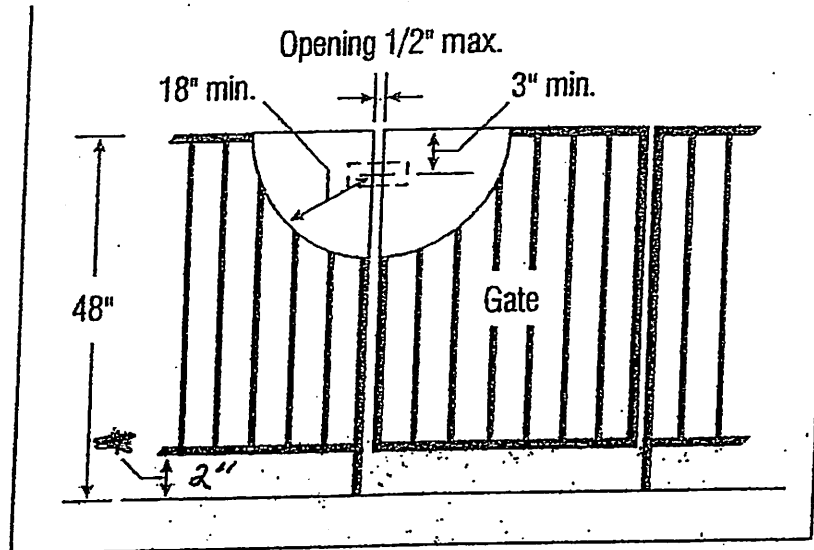
A self-closing pedestrian gate must open away from the pool because if the latch fails to operate, a child pushing on the gate will not gain immediate access to the pool.

Large non-pedestrian gates are not required to be self-closing (these gates are typically operated by persons other than small children).

When the release mechanism of the self-latching device is located less than 54 inches from the bottom of the gate, the release mechanism and openings shall comply with the following:

The release mechanism shall be located on the pool side of the gate at least 3 inches below the top of the gate **AND**

The gate and barrier shall have no openings greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch within 18 inches of the release mechanism.



Use this as a guide when the release mechanism is located less than 54 inches from the bottom of the gate.

APPENDIX G

SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS AND HOT TUBS

SECTION AG101 GENERAL

AG101.1 General. The provisions of this appendix shall control the design and construction of swimming pools, spas and hot tubs installed in or on the lot of a one- or two-family dwelling.

SECTION AG102 DEFINITIONS

AG102.1 General. For the purposes of these requirements, the terms used shall be defined as follows and as set forth in Chapter 2.

ABOVE-GROUND/ON-GROUND POOL. See "Swimming pool."

BARRIER. A fence, wall, building wall or combination thereof which completely surrounds the swimming pool and obstructs access to the swimming pool.

HOT TUB. See "Swimming pool."

IN-GROUND POOL. See "Swimming pool."

RESIDENTIAL. That which is situated on the premises of a detached one- or two-family dwelling or a one-family townhouse not more than three stories in height.

SPA, NONPORTABLE. See "Swimming pool."

SPA, PORTABLE. A nonpermanent structure intended for recreational bathing, in which all controls, water-heating and water-circulating equipment are an integral part of the product.

SWIMMING POOL. Any structure intended for swimming or recreational bathing that contains water over 24 inches (610 mm) deep. This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground swimming pools, hot tubs and spas.

SWIMMING POOL, INDOOR. A swimming pool which is totally contained within a structure and surrounded on all four sides by the walls of the enclosing structure.

SWIMMING POOL, OUTDOOR. Any swimming pool which is not an indoor pool.

SECTION AG103 SWIMMING POOLS

AG103.1 In-ground pools. In-ground pools shall be designed and constructed in conformance with ANSI/NSPI-5 as listed in Section AG108.

AG103.2 Above-ground and on-ground pools. Above-ground and on-ground pools shall be designed and constructed in conformance with ANSI/NSPI-4 as listed in Section AG108.

SECTION AG104 SPAS AND HOT TUBS

AG104.1 Permanently installed spas and hot tubs. Permanently installed spas and hot tubs shall be designed and constructed in conformance with ANSI/NSPI-3 as listed in Section AG108.

AG104.2 Portable spas and hot tubs. Portable spas and hot tubs shall be designed and constructed in conformance with ANSI/NSPI-6 as listed in Section AG108.

SECTION AG105 BARRIER REQUIREMENTS

AG105.1 Application. The provisions of this chapter shall control the design of barriers for residential swimming pools, spas and hot tubs. These design controls are intended to provide protection against potential drownings and near-drownings by restricting access to swimming pools, spas and hot tubs.

AG105.2 Outdoor swimming pool. An outdoor swimming pool, including an in-ground, above-ground or on-ground pool, hot tub or spa shall be surrounded by a barrier which shall comply with the following:

1. The top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches (1219 mm) above grade measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. The maximum vertical clearance between grade and the bottom of the barrier shall be 2 inches (51 mm) measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. Where the top of the pool structure is above grade, such as an above-ground pool, the barrier may be at ground level, such as the pool structure, or mounted on top of the pool structure. Where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, the maximum vertical clearance between the top of the pool structure and the bottom of the barrier shall be 4 inches (102 mm).
2. Openings in the barrier shall not allow passage of a 4-inch-diameter (102 mm) sphere.
3. Solid barriers which do not have openings, such as a masonry or stone wall, shall not contain indentations or protrusions except for normal construction tolerances and tooled masonry joints.
4. Where the barrier is composed of horizontal and vertical members and the distance between the tops of the horizontal members is less than 45 inches (1143 mm), the horizontal members shall be located on the swimming pool side of the fence. Spacing between vertical members shall not exceed $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches (44 mm) in width. Where there are decorative cutouts within vertical members, spacing within the cutouts shall not exceed $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches (44 mm) in width.

5. Where the barrier is composed of horizontal and vertical members and the distance between the tops of the horizontal members is 45 inches (1143 mm) or more, spacing between vertical members shall not exceed 4 inches (102 mm). Where there are decorative cutouts within vertical members, spacing within the cutouts shall not exceed $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches (44 mm) in width.
6. Maximum mesh size for chain link fences shall be a $2\frac{1}{4}$ -inch (57 mm) square unless the fence has slats fastened at the top or the bottom which reduce the openings to not more than $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches (44 mm).
7. Where the barrier is composed of diagonal members, such as a lattice fence, the maximum opening formed by the diagonal members shall not be more than $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches (44 mm).
8. Access gates shall comply with the requirements of Section AG105.2, Items 1 through 7, and shall be equipped to accommodate a locking device. Pedestrian access gates shall open outward away from the pool and shall be self-closing and have a self-latching device. Gates other than pedestrian access gates shall have a self-latching device. Where the release mechanism of the self-latching device is located less than 54 inches (1372 mm) from the bottom of the gate, the release mechanism and openings shall comply with the following:
 - 8.1. The release mechanism shall be located on the pool side of the gate at least 3 inches (76 mm) below the top of the gate; and
 - 8.2. The gate and barrier shall have no opening larger than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch (13 mm) within 18 inches (457 mm) of the release mechanism.
9. Where a wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier, one of the following conditions shall be met:
 - 9.1. The pool shall be equipped with a powered safety cover in compliance with ASTM F 1346; or
 - 9.2. Doors with direct access to the pool through that wall shall be equipped with an alarm which produces an audible warning when the door and/or its screen, if present, are opened. The alarm shall be listed in accordance with UL 2017. The audible alarm shall activate within 7 seconds and sound continuously for a minimum of 30 seconds after the door and/or its screen, if present, are opened and be capable of being heard throughout the house during normal household activities. The alarm shall automatically reset under all conditions. The alarm system shall be equipped with a manual means, such as touch pad or switch, to temporarily deactivate the alarm for a single opening. Deactivation shall last for not more than 15 seconds. The deactivation switch(es) shall be located at least 54 inches (1372 mm) above the threshold of the door; or
 - 9.3. Other means of protection, such as self-closing doors with self-latching devices, which are approved by the governing body, shall be acceptable so long as the degree of protection afforded

is not less than the protection afforded by Item 9.1 or 9.2 described above.

10. Where an above-ground pool structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, and the means of access is a ladder or steps:
 - 10.1. The ladder or steps shall be capable of being secured, locked or removed to prevent access; or
 - 10.2. The ladder or steps shall be surrounded by a barrier which meets the requirements of Section AG105.2, Items 1 through 9. When the ladder or steps are secured, locked or removed, any opening created shall not allow the passage of a 4-inch-diameter (102 mm) sphere.

AG105.3 Indoor swimming pool. Walls surrounding an indoor swimming pool shall comply with Section AG105.2, Item 9.

AG105.4 Prohibited locations. Barriers shall be located to prohibit permanent structures, equipment or similar objects from being used to climb them.

AG105.5 Barrier exceptions. Spas or hot tubs with a safety cover which complies with ASTM F 1346, as listed in Section AG107, shall be exempt from the provisions of this appendix.

SECTION AG106 ENTRAPMENT PROTECTION FOR SWIMMING POOL AND SPA SUCTION OUTLETS

AG106.1 General. Suction outlets shall be designed to produce circulation throughout the pool or spa. Single-outlet systems, such as automatic vacuum cleaner systems, or multiple suction outlets, whether isolated by valves or otherwise, shall be protected against user entrapment.

AG106.2 Suction fittings. Pool and spa suction outlets shall have a cover that conforms to ANSI/ASME A112.19.8M, or an 18 inch \times 23 inch (457 mm \times 584 mm) drain grate or larger, or an approved channel drain system.

Exception: Surface skimmers

AG106.3 Atmospheric vacuum relief system required. Pool and spa single- or multiple-outlet circulation systems shall be equipped with atmospheric vacuum relief should grate covers located therein become missing or broken. This vacuum relief system shall include at least one approved or engineered method of the type specified herein, as follows:

1. Safety vacuum release system conforming to ASME A112.19.17; or
2. An approved gravity drainage system.

AG106.4 Dual drain separation. Single or multiple pump circulation systems shall be provided with a minimum of two suction outlets of the approved type. A minimum horizontal or vertical distance of 3 feet (914 mm) shall separate the outlets. These suction outlets shall be piped so that water is drawn through them simultaneously through a vacuum-relief-protected line to the pump or pumps.

AG106.5 Pool cleaner fittings. Where provided, vacuum or pressure cleaner fitting(s) shall be located in an accessible posi-

tion(s) at least 6 inches (152 mm) and not more than 12 inches (305 mm) below the minimum operational water level or as an attachment to the skimmer(s).

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UL2017-2000 Standard for General-purpose Signaling Devices and Systems—with Revisions through June 2004. AG105.2

SECTION AG107 ABBREVIATIONS

AG107.1 General.

ANSI—American National Standards Institute
11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036

ASME—American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Three Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016-5990

ASTM—ASTM International
100 Barr Harbor Drive, West Conshohocken, PA 19428

NSPI—National Spa and Pool Institute
2111 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314

UL—Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.
333 Pfingsten Road
Northbrook, Illinois 60062-2096

SECTION AG108 STANDARDS

AG108.1 General.**ANSI/NSPI**

ANSI/NSPI-3-99 Standard for Permanently Installed Residential Spas. AG104.1

ANSI/NSPI-4-99 Standard for Above-ground/On-ground Residential Swimming Pools AG103.2

ANSI/NSPI-6-99 Standard for Residential Portable Spas AG104.2

ANSI/NSPI-5-2003 Standard for Residential In-ground Swimming Pools AG103.1

ANSI/ASME A112.19.8M-1987 (R1996) Suction Fittings for Use in Swimming Pools, Wading Pools, Spas, Hot Tubs and Whirlpool Bathing Appliances AG106.2

ASTM

ASTM F 1346-91 (2003) Performance Specification for Safety Covers and Labeling Requirements for All Covers for Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs AG105.2, AG105.5

ASME

ASME A112.19.17 Manufacturers Safety Vacuum Release Systems (SVRS) for Residential and Commercial Swimming Pool, Spa, Hot Tub and Wading Pool. AG106.3

CHAPTER 41

SWIMMING POOLS

SECTION E4101 GENERAL

E4101.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall apply to the construction and installation of electric wiring and equipment associated with all swimming pools, wading pools, decorative pools, fountains, hot tubs and spas, and hydromassage bathtubs, whether permanently installed or storable, and shall apply to metallic auxiliary equipment, such as pumps, filters and similar equipment. Sections E4102 through E4106 provide general rules for permanent pools, spas and hot tubs. Section E4107 provides specific rules for storable pools. Section E4108 provides specific rules for spas and hot tubs. Section E4109 provides specific rules for hydromassage bathtubs.

E4101.2 Definitions.

CORD-AND-PLUG-CONNECTED LIGHTING ASSEMBLY. A lighting assembly consisting of a cord-and-plug-connected transformer and a luminaire intended for installation in the wall of a spa, hot tub, or storable pool.

DRY-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation in the wall of a pool or fountain in a niche that is sealed against the entry of pool water.

FORMING SHELL. A structure designed to support a wet-niche luminaire assembly and intended for mounting in a pool or fountain structure.

FOUNTAIN. Fountains, ornamental pools, display pools, and reflection pools. The definition does not include drinking fountains.

HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUB. A permanently installed bathtub equipped with a recirculating piping system, pump, and associated equipment. It is designed so it can accept, circulate and discharge water upon each use.

MAXIMUM WATER LEVEL. The highest level that water can reach before it spills out.

NO-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation above or below the water without a niche.

PACKAGED SPA OR HOT TUB EQUIPMENT ASSEMBLY. A factory-fabricated unit consisting of water-circulating, heating and control equipment mounted on a common base, intended to operate a spa or hot tub. Equipment may include pumps, air blowers, heaters, luminaires, controls and sanitizer generators.

PERMANENTLY INSTALLED SWIMMING AND WADING POOLS. Those that are constructed in the ground or partially in the ground, and all others capable of holding water with a depth greater than 42 inches (1067 mm), and all pools installed inside of a building, regardless of water depth, whether or not served by electrical circuits of any nature.

POOL COVER, ELECTRICALLY OPERATED. Motor-driven equipment designed to cover and uncover the

water surface of a pool by means of a flexible sheet or rigid frame.

SELF-CONTAINED SPA OR HOT TUB. A factory-fabricated unit consisting of a spa or hot tub vessel with all water-circulating, heating and control equipment integral to the unit. Equipment may include pumps, air blowers, heaters, luminaires, controls and sanitizer generators.

SPA OR HOT TUB. A hydromassage pool, or tub for recreational or therapeutic use, not located in health care facilities, designed for immersion of users, and usually having a filter, heater, and motor-driven blower. They are installed indoors or outdoors, on the ground or supporting structure, or in the ground or supporting structure. Generally, a spa or hot tub is not designed or intended to have its contents drained or discharged after each use.

STORABLE SWIMMING OR WADING POOL. Those that are constructed on or above the ground and are capable of holding water with a maximum depth of 42 inches (1067 mm), or a pool with nonmetallic, molded polymeric walls or inflatable fabric walls regardless of dimension.

THROUGH-WALL LIGHTING ASSEMBLY. A lighting assembly intended for installation above grade, on or through the wall of a pool, consisting of two interconnected groups of components separated by the pool wall.

WET-NICHE LUMINAIRE. A luminaire intended for installation in a forming shell mounted in a pool or fountain structure where the luminaire will be completely surrounded by water.

SECTION E4102 WIRING METHODS FOR POOLS, SPAS, HOT TUBS AND HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUBS

E4102.1 General. Wiring methods used in conjunction with permanently installed swimming pools, spas, hot tubs or hydromassage bathtubs shall be installed in accordance with Table E4102.1 and Chapter 37 except as otherwise stated in this section. Storable swimming pools shall comply with Section E4107.

E4102.2 Flexible cords. Flexible cords used in conjunction with a pool, spa, hot tub or hydromassage bathtub shall be installed in accordance with the following:

1. For other than underwater luminaires, fixed or stationary equipment, rated at 20 amperes or less shall be permitted to be connected with a flexible cord to facilitate the removal or disconnection for maintenance or repair. For other than storable pools, the flexible cord shall not exceed 3 feet (914 mm) in length. Cords that supply swimming pool equipment, shall have a copper equipment grounding conductor not smaller than 12 AWG and shall be provided with a grounding-type attachment plug.

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2. Flexible cord that is supplied as part of a listed underwater swimming pool lighting luminaire shall be permitted to be installed in any of the permitted wiring methods from the luminaire to a deck box or other enclosure. Splices shall not be made within a raceway. The equipment grounding conductor shall be an insulated copper conductor that is not smaller than the supply conductors and not smaller than 16 AWG.
3. A listed packaged spa or hot tub installed outdoors that is GFCI protected, shall be permitted to be cord and plug connected provided that such cord does not exceed 15 feet (4572 mm) in length.
4. A listed packaged spa or hot tub rated at 20 amperes or less and installed indoors shall be permitted to be cord and plug connected to facilitate maintenance and repair.

5. For other than underwater and storable pool lighting luminaire, the requirements of Item 1 shall apply to any cord equipped luminaire that is located within 16 feet (4877 mm) radially from any point on the water surface.

E4102.3 Double insulated pool pumps. A listed cord-and-plug-connected pool pump incorporating an approved system of double insulation that provides a means for grounding only the internal and nonaccessible, noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the pump shall be connected to any wiring method recognized in Chapter 37 that is suitable for the location. Where the bonding grid is connected to the equipment grounding conductor of the motor circuit in accordance with Section E4104.2, Item 4, the branch circuit wiring shall comply with Sections E4102.1 and E4105.5.

TABLE E4102.1
ALLOWABLE APPLICATIONS FOR WIRING METHODS^{a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h}

WIRING LOCATION OR PURPOSE (Application allowed where marked with an "A")	AC, FMC, NM, SR, SE	EMT	ENT	IMC, RMC, RNC	LFMC	LFNMC	UF	MC	Flex Cord
Panelboard(s) that supply pool equipment: from service equipment to panelboard	A ^{b, e}	A ^c	—	A	—	A	A ^e	A ^e	—
Wet-niche and no-niche luminaires: from branch circuit OCPD to deck or junction box	—	A ^c	A ^b	A	—	A	—	A ^b	—
Wet-niche and no-niche luminaires: from deck or junction box to forming shell	—	—	—	A ^d	—	A	—	—	A ^b
Dry niche: from branch circuit OCPD to luminaires	—	A ^c	A ^b	A	—	A	—	A ^b	—
Pool-associated motors: from branch circuit OCPD to motor	A ^b	A ^c	A ^b	A	A ^f	A	A ^b	A	A ^h
Packaged or self-contained outdoor spas and hot tubs with underwater luminaire: from branch circuit OCPD to spa or hot tub	—	A ^c	A ^b	A	A ^f	A ^f	—	—	A ^h
Packaged or self-contained outdoor spas and hot tubs without underwater luminaire: from branch circuit OCPD to spa or hot tub	A ^b	A ^c	A ^b	A	A ^f	A ^f	A ^b	A	A ^h
Indoor spa and hot tubs, hydromassage bathtubs, and other pool, spa or hot tub associated equipment: from branch circuit OCPD to equipment	A ^b	A ^c	A ^b	A	A	A	A	A	A ^h
Connection at pool lighting transformers	—	A ^c	A ^b	A	A ^g	A ^g	—	A ^b	—

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

- a. For all wiring methods, see Section E4105 for equipment grounding conductor requirements.
- b. Limited to use within buildings.
- c. Limited to use on or within buildings.
- d. Metal conduit shall be constructed of brass or other approved corrosion resistant metal.
- e. Permitted only for existing installations in accordance with the exception to Section E4105.6.
- f. Limited to use at pool, spa or hot tub equipment where flexibility is necessary. For spas and hot tubs, the maximum length shall be 6 feet (1.8 m).
- g. Limited to use in individual lengths not to exceed 6 feet (1.8 m). The total length of all individual runs of LFMC and LFNMC shall not exceed 10 feet (3 m). LFNMC Type B shall be limited to lengths not exceeding 10 feet (3 m).
- h. Flexible cord shall be installed in accordance with Section E4102.2.

SECTION E4103 EQUIPMENT LOCATION AND CLEARANCES

E4103.1 Receptacle outlets. Receptacle outlets shall be installed and located in accordance with Sections E4103.1.1 through E4103.1.6. Distances shall be measured as the shortest path that an appliance supply cord connected to the receptacle would follow without penetrating a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier.

E4103.1.1 Location. Receptacles that provide power for water-pump motors or other loads directly related to the circulation and sanitation system shall be permitted to be located between 5 feet and 10 feet (1524 mm and 3048 mm) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs, and, where so located, shall be single and of the locking and grounding type and shall be protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters.

Other receptacles on the property shall be located not less than 10 feet (3048 mm) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs except where permitted by Section E4103.1.3.

E4103.1.2 Where required. At least one 125-volt, 15- or 20-ampere receptacle supplied by a general-purpose branch circuit shall be located a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) from and not more than 20 feet (6096 mm) from the inside wall of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs except as permitted by Section E4103.1.3. This receptacle shall be located not more than 6 feet, 6 inches (1981 mm) above the floor, platform or grade level serving the pool, spa or hot tub.

E4103.1.3 Restricted space. Where a pool is within 10 feet (3.0 m) of a dwelling and the dimensions of the lot preclude meeting the required distances of Sections E4103.1.1 and E4103.1.2, not more than one receptacle outlet shall be permitted provided that such outlet is not less than 5 feet (1.5 m) measured horizontally from the inside wall of the pool.

E4103.1.4 GFCI protection. All 15- and 20-ampere, single phase, 125-volt receptacles located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter. Receptacles that supply pool pump motors and that are rated 15 or 20 amperes, 125 volts through 250 volts, single phase, shall be provided with GFCI protection.

E4103.1.5 Indoor locations. Receptacles shall be located not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) from the inside walls of indoor spas and hot tubs. A minimum of one 125-volt receptacle shall be located between 5 feet (1524 mm) and 10 feet (3048 mm) from the inside walls of indoor spas or hot tubs.

E4103.1.6 Indoor GFCI protection. All 125-volt receptacles rated 30 amperes or less and located within 10 feet (3048 mm) of the inside walls of spas and hot tubs installed indoors, shall be protected by ground-fault circuit-interrupters.

E4103.2 Switching devices. Switching devices shall be located not less than 5 feet (1.5 m) horizontally from the inside walls of pools, spas and hot tubs except where separated from the pool, spa or hot tub by a solid fence, wall, or other permanent barrier. Switching devices located in a room or area con-

taining a hydromassage bathtub shall be located in accordance with the general requirements of this code.

E4103.3 Disconnecting means. One or more means to disconnect all ungrounded conductors for all utilization equipment, other than lighting, shall be provided. Each of such means shall be readily accessible and within sight from the equipment it serves.

E4103.4 Luminaires and ceiling fans. Lighting outlets, luminaires, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans shall be installed and located in accordance with Sections E4103.4.1 through E4103.4.5.

E4103.4.1 Outdoor location. In outdoor pool, outdoor spas and outdoor hot tubs areas, luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans shall not be installed over the pool or over the area extending 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally from the inside walls of a pool except where no part of the luminaire or ceiling-suspended paddle fan is less than 12 feet (3658 mm) above the maximum water level.

E4103.4.2 Indoor locations. In indoor pool areas, the limitations of Section E4103.4.1 shall apply except where the luminaires, lighting outlets and ceiling-suspended paddle fans comply with all of the following conditions:

1. The luminaires are of a totally enclosed type;
2. A ground-fault circuit interrupter is installed in the branch circuit supplying the luminaires or ceiling-suspended (paddle) fans; and
3. The distance from the bottom of the luminaire or ceiling-suspended (paddle) fan to the maximum water level is not less than 7 feet, 6 inches (2286 mm).

E4103.4.3 Existing lighting outlets and luminaires. Existing lighting outlets and luminaires that are located within 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be permitted to be located not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) vertically above the maximum water level, provided that such luminaires and outlets are rigidly attached to the existing structure and are protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter.

E4103.4.4 Indoor spas and hot tubs.

1. Luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans located over the spa or hot tub or within 5 feet (1524 mm) from the inside walls of the spa or hot tub shall be a minimum of 7 feet, 6 inches (2286 mm) above the maximum water level and shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter.

Luminaires, lighting outlets, and ceiling-suspended paddle fans that are located 12 feet (3658 mm) or more above the maximum water level shall not require ground-fault circuit interrupter protection.

2. Luminaires protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter and complying with Item 2.1 or 2.2 shall be permitted to be installed less than 7 feet, 6 inches (2286 mm) over a spa or hot tub.

- 2.1. Recessed luminaires shall have a glass or plastic lens and nonmetallic or electrically isolated

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metal trim, and shall be suitable for use in damp locations.

- 2.2. Surface-mounted luminaires shall have a glass or plastic globe and a nonmetallic body or a metallic body isolated from contact. Such luminaires shall be suitable for use in damp locations.

E4103.4.5 GFCI protection in adjacent areas.

Luminaires and outlets that are installed in the area extending between 5 feet (1524 mm) and 10 feet (3048 mm) from the inside walls of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall be protected by ground-fault circuit-interrupters except where such fixtures and outlets are installed not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) above the maximum water level and are rigidly attached to the structure.

E4103.5 Overhead conductor clearances. Except where installed with the clearances specified in Table E4103.5, the following parts of pools and outdoor spas and hot tubs shall not be placed under existing service-drop conductors or any other open overhead wiring; nor shall such wiring be installed above the following:

1. Pools and the areas extending 10 feet (3048 mm) horizontally from the inside of the walls of the pool;
2. Diving structures; or
3. Observation stands, towers, and platforms.

Utility-owned, -operated and -maintained communications conductors, community antenna system coaxial cables and the supporting messengers shall be permitted at a height of not less than 10 feet (3048 mm) above swimming and wading pools, diving structures, and observation stands, towers, and platforms.

E4103.6 Underground wiring. Underground wiring shall not be installed under or within the area extending 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally from the inside walls of pools and outdoor hot tubs and spas except where the wiring is installed to supply pool, spa or hot tub equipment or where space limitations prevent wiring from being routed 5 feet (1524 mm) or more horizontally from the inside walls. Where installed within 5 feet (1524 mm) of the inside walls, the wiring method shall be rigid metal conduit, intermediate metal conduit or a nonmetallic raceway system. Metal conduit shall be corrosion resistant and suitable for the location. The minimum raceway burial depth shall be in accordance with Table E4103.6.

**SECTION E4104
BONDING**

E4104.1 Performance. The equipotential bonding required by this section shall be installed to eliminate voltage gradients in the pool area as prescribed.

E4104.2 Bonded parts. The following parts shall be bonded together:

1. All metallic parts of pool, spa and hot tub structures, including the reinforcing metal of pool, spa and hot tub shells, coping stones, and decks. The usual steel tie wires shall be considered suitable for bonding the reinforcing steel together, and welding or special clamping shall not be required. Such tie wires shall be made tight. Where reinforcing steel is effectively insulated by a listed encapsulating nonconductive compound, at the time of manufacture and installation, it shall not be required to be bonded. Where reinforcing steel is encapsulated with

**TABLE E4103.5
OVERHEAD CONDUCTOR CLEARANCES**

	INSULATED SUPPLY OR SERVICE DROP CABLES, 0-750 VOLTS TO GROUND, SUPPORTED ON AND CABLED TOGETHER WITH AN EFFECTIVELY GROUNDED BARE MESSENGER OR EFFECTIVELY GROUNDED NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR (feet)	ALL OTHER SUPPLY OR SERVICE DROP CONDUCTORS (feet)	
		Voltage to ground	
		0-15 kV	Greater than 15 to 50 kV
A. Clearance in any direction to the water level, edge of water surface, base of diving platform, or permanently-anchored raft	22.5	25	27
B. Clearance in any direction to the diving platform	14.5	17	18

For SI: 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

**TABLE E4103.6
MINIMUM BURIAL DEPTHS**

WIRING METHOD	UNDERGROUND WIRING (inches)
Rigid metal conduit	6
Intermediate metal conduit	6
Nonmetallic raceways listed for direct burial without concrete encasement	18
Other approved raceways ^a	18

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

a. Raceways approved for burial only where concrete-encased shall require a concrete envelope not less than 2 inches in thickness.

a nonconductive compound or another conductive material is not available, provisions shall be made for an alternate means to eliminate voltage gradients that would otherwise be provided by unencapsulated bonded reinforcing steel.

2. All metal forming shells and mounting brackets of no-niche luminaires except where a listed low-voltage lighting system with a nonmetallic forming shell is used that does not require bonding.
3. All metal fittings within or attached to pool, spa and hot tub structures. Isolated parts that are not over 4 inches (102 mm) in any dimension and do not penetrate into the pool structure more than 1 inch (25.4 mm) shall not require bonding. The metal bands or hoops used to secure wooden staves for a hot tub or spa shall not be required to be bonded.
4. Metal parts of electrical equipment associated with pool, spa and hot tub water circulating systems, including pump motors and metal parts of equipment associated with pool covers, including electric motors. Accessible metal parts of listed equipment incorporating an approved system of double insulation and providing a means for grounding internal nonaccessible, noncurrent-carrying metal parts shall not be bonded by a direct connection to the equipotential bonding grid. The means for grounding internal nonaccessible, noncurrent carrying metal parts shall be an equipment grounding conductor run with the power-supply conductors in the case of motors supplied with a flexible cord, or a grounding terminal in the case of motors intended for permanent connection. Where a double-insulated water-pump motor is installed under the provisions of this section, a solid 8 AWG copper conductor that is of sufficient length to make a bonding connection to a replacement motor shall be extended from the bonding grid to an accessible point in the motor vicinity. Where there is no connection between the swimming pool bonding grid and the equipment grounding system for the premises, this bonding conductor shall be connected to the equipment grounding conductor of the motor circuit.
5. Electrical devices and controls not associated with pools, spas or hot tubs and located within 5 feet (1.5 m) of such units.
6. Metal-sheathed cables and raceways, metal piping and all fixed metal parts that are within 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally of the inside walls of the pool, spa or hot tub and that are within 12 feet (3658 mm) above the maximum water level of the pool or any observation stands, towers or platforms, or from any diving structures, and that are not separated from the pool by a permanent barrier.
7. For pool water heaters rated at more than 50 amperes and having specific instructions regarding bonding and grounding, only those parts designated to be bonded shall be bonded and only those parts designated to be grounded shall be grounded.

E4104.3 Parts not required to be bonded. Small conductive surfaces not likely to become energized, such as towel bars, mirror frames, and air and water jets and drain fittings that are

not connected to metallic piping, and similar equipment installed on or within indoor spas and hot tubs shall not be required to be bonded.

E4104.4 Methods of bonding. It shall not be the intent to require that the 8 AWG or larger solid copper bonding conductor be extended or attached to any remote panelboard, service equipment, or any electrode, but only that it shall be employed to eliminate voltage gradients in the pool area as prescribed. Bonding shall be accomplished by one or more of the following methods:

1. Equipotential bonding grid. The parts specified in Section E4104.2 above shall be connected to an equipotential bonding grid with a solid copper conductor, insulated, covered, or bare, not smaller than 8 AWG or rigid metal conduit of brass or other identified corrosion resistant metal conduit. Connection shall be made by exothermic welding or by listed pressure connectors or clamps that are labeled as being suitable for the purpose and that are made of stainless steel, brass, copper or copper alloy.

The equipotential bonding grid shall conform to the contours of the pool and shall extend within or under paved walking surfaces for 3 feet (1 m) horizontally beyond the inside walls of the pool and shall be permitted to be any of the following:

Exception: The equipotential bonding grid shall not be required to be installed under the bottom of or vertically along the walls of vinyl lined polymer wall, fiberglass composite, or other pools constructed of nonconductive materials. Any metal parts of the pool, including metal structural supports, shall be bonded in accordance with Section E4104.1. For the purposes of this section, poured concrete, pneumatically applied (sprayed) concrete, and concrete block, with painted or plastered coatings, shall be considered as conductive materials.

- 1.1. The structural reinforcing steel of a concrete pool or deck where the reinforcing rods are bonded together by the usual steel tie wires made up tight or the equivalent. Where deck reinforcing steel is not an integral part of the pool, the deck reinforcing steel shall be bonded to the other parts of the bonding grid using a solid conductor not smaller than 8 AWG. Connections shall be in accordance with Item 1.4.
- 1.2. The wall of a bolted or welded metal pool.
- 1.3. As an alternative means, the system shall be constructed as specified in Items 1.3.1 through 1.3.3:
 - 1.3.1. Materials and connections. The equipotential bonding grid shall be constructed of bare solid copper conductors not smaller than 8 AWG. Such conductors shall be bonded to each other at all points of crossing. Connections shall be made as required by Item 1.4.

1.3.2. Grid structure. The equipotential bonding grid shall cover the contour of the pool and the pool deck extending 3 feet (1 m) horizontally from the inside walls of the pool. The equipotential bonding grid shall be arranged in a 12 inch (300 mm) by 12 inch (300 mm) network of conductors in a uniformly spaced perpendicular grid pattern with tolerance of 4 inches (100 mm).

1.3.3. Securing. The below-grade grid shall be secured within or under the pool and deck media.

1.4. Connections. Where structural reinforcing steel or the walls of bolted or welded metal structures are used as an equipotential bonding grid for nonelectrical parts, the connections shall be connected by exothermic welding, listed pressure connectors, listed clamps, or other listed means. Connection devices or fittings that depend solely on solder shall not be used. Sheet metal screws shall not be used to connect bonding conductors or connection devices.

2. For indoor hot tubs and spas, metal to metal mounting on a common frame or base.
3. For indoor hot tubs and spas the interconnection of threaded metal piping and fittings.
4. For indoor hot tubs and spas the provision of a solid copper bonding jumper, insulated, covered, or bare, not smaller than 8 AWG.

SECTION E4105 GROUNDING

E4105.1 Equipment to be grounded. The following equipment shall be grounded:

1. Through-wall lighting assemblies and underwater luminaires other than those low-voltage systems listed for the application without a grounding conductor.
2. All electrical equipment located within 5 feet (1524 mm) of the inside wall of the pool, spa or hot tub.
3. All electrical equipment associated with the recirculating system of the pool, spa or hot tub.
4. Junction boxes.
5. Transformer enclosures.
6. Ground-fault circuit-interrupters.
7. Panelboards that are not part of the service equipment and that supply any electrical equipment associated with the pool, spa or hot tub.

E4105.2 Luminaires and related equipment. Through-wall lighting assemblies, wet-niche, dry-niche, or no-niche luminaires shall be connected to an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor sized in accordance with Table E3808.12 but not smaller than 12 AWG. The equipment

grounding conductor between the wiring chamber of the secondary winding of a transformer and a junction box shall be sized in accordance with the overcurrent device in such circuit. The junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure in the supply circuit to a wet-niche or no-niche luminaire and the field-wiring chamber of a dry-niche luminaire shall be grounded to the equipment grounding terminal of the panelboard. The equipment grounding terminal shall be directly connected to the panelboard enclosure. The equipment grounding conductor shall be installed without joint or splice.

Exceptions:

1. Where more than one underwater luminaire is supplied by the same branch circuit, the equipment grounding conductor, installed between the junction boxes, transformer enclosures, or other enclosures in the supply circuit to wet-niche luminaires, or between the field-wiring compartments of dry-niche luminaires, shall be permitted to be terminated on grounding terminals.
2. Where an underwater luminaire is supplied from a transformer, ground-fault circuit-interrupter, clock-operated switch, or a manual snap switch that is located between the panelboard and a junction box connected to the conduit that extends directly to the underwater luminaire, the equipment grounding conductor shall be permitted to terminate on grounding terminals on the transformer, ground-fault circuit-interrupter, clock-operated switch enclosure, or an outlet box used to enclose a snap switch.

E4105.3 Nonmetallic conduit. Where a nonmetallic conduit is installed between a forming shell and a junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure, a 8 AWG insulated copper bonding jumper shall be installed in this conduit except where a listed low-voltage lighting system not requiring grounding is used. The bonding jumper shall be terminated in the forming shell, junction box or transformer enclosure, or ground-fault circuit-interrupter enclosure. The termination of the 8 AWG bonding jumper in the forming shell shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a listed potting compound to protect such connection from the possible deteriorating effect of pool water.

E4105.4 Flexible cords. Wet-niche luminaires that are supplied by a flexible cord or cable shall have all exposed noncurrent-carrying metal parts grounded by an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor that is an integral part of the cord or cable. This grounding conductor shall be connected to a grounding terminal in the supply junction box, transformer enclosure, or other enclosure. The grounding conductor shall not be smaller than the supply conductors and not smaller than 16 AWG.

E4105.5 Motors. Pool-associated motors shall be connected to an insulated copper equipment grounding conductor sized in accordance with Table E3808.12, but not smaller than 12 AWG. Where the branch circuit supplying the motor is installed in the interior of a one-family dwelling or in the interior of accessory buildings associated with a one-family dwelling, using a cable wiring method permitted by Table E4102.1, an uninsulated equipment grounding conductor shall be per-

mitted provided that it is enclosed within the outer sheath of the cable assembly.

E4105.6 Panelboards. A panelboard that is not part of the service equipment, or source of a separately derived system shall have an equipment grounding conductor installed between its grounding terminal and the grounding terminal of the applicable service equipment or source of a separately derived system. The equipment grounding conductor shall be insulated, shall be sized in accordance with Table E3808.12, and shall be not smaller than 12 AWG.

Exception: An existing feeder between an existing remote panelboard and service equipment shall be permitted to run in flexible metal conduit or an approved cable assembly that includes an equipment grounding conductor within its outer sheath. The equipment grounding conductor shall not be connected to the grounded conductor in the remote panelboard.

E4105.6.1 Separate buildings. A feeder to a separate building or structure shall be permitted to supply swimming pool equipment branch circuits, or feeders supplying swimming pool equipment branch circuits, provided that the grounding arrangements in the separate building meet the requirements of Section E3507.3. Where installed in other than existing feeders covered in the exception to Section E4105.6, a separate equipment grounding conductor shall be an insulated conductor.

E4105.7 Cord-connected equipment. Where fixed or stationary equipment is connected with a flexible cord to facilitate removal or disconnection for maintenance, repair, or storage, as provided in Section E4102.2, the equipment grounding conductors shall be connected to a fixed metal part of the assembly. The removable part shall be mounted on or bonded to the fixed metal part.

E4105.8 Other equipment. Other electrical equipment shall be grounded in accordance with Section E3808.

SECTION E4106 EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION

E4106.1 Transformers. Transformers used for the supply of underwater luminaires, together with the transformer enclosure, shall be listed as a swimming pool and spa transformer. Such transformers shall be of an isolated winding type with an ungrounded secondary that has a grounded metal barrier between the primary and secondary windings.

E4106.2 Ground-fault circuit-interrupters. Ground-fault circuit-interrupters shall be self-contained units, circuit-breaker types, receptacle types or other approved types.

E4106.3 Wiring on load side of ground-fault circuit-interrupters and transformers. For other than grounding conductors, conductors installed on the load side of a ground-fault circuit-interrupter or transformer used to comply with the provisions of Section E4106.4, shall not occupy raceways, boxes, or enclosures containing other conductors except where the other conductors are protected by ground-fault circuit interrupters or are grounding conductors. Supply conductors to a feed-through type ground-fault circuit interrupter shall be per-

mitted in the same enclosure. Ground-fault circuit interrupters shall be permitted in a panelboard that contains circuits protected by other than ground-fault circuit interrupters.

E4106.4 Underwater luminaires. The design of an underwater luminaire supplied from a branch circuit either directly or by way of a transformer meeting the requirements of Section E4106.1, shall be such that, where the fixture is properly installed without a ground-fault circuit-interrupter, there is no shock hazard with any likely combination of fault conditions during normal use (not relamping). In addition, a ground-fault circuit-interrupter shall be installed in the branch circuit supplying luminaires operating at more than 15 volts, so that there is no shock hazard during relamping. The installation of the ground-fault circuit-interrupter shall be such that there is no shock hazard with any likely fault-condition combination that involves a person in a conductive path from any ungrounded part of the branch circuit or the luminaire to ground. Compliance with this requirement shall be obtained by the use of a listed underwater luminaire and by installation of a listed ground-fault circuit-interrupter in the branch circuit. Luminaires that depend on submersion for safe operation shall be inherently protected against the hazards of overheating when not submerged.

E4106.4.1 Maximum voltage. Luminaires shall not be installed for operation on supply circuits over 150 volts between conductors.

E4106.4.2 Luminaire location. Luminaires mounted in walls shall be installed with the top of the fixture lens not less than 18 inches (457 mm) below the normal water level of the pool, except where the luminaire is listed and identified for use at a depth of not less than 4 inches (102 mm) below the normal water level of the pool. A luminaire facing upward shall have the lens adequately guarded to prevent contact by any person.

E4106.5 Wet-niche luminaires. Forming shells shall be installed for the mounting of all wet-niche underwater luminaires and shall be equipped with provisions for conduit entries. Conduit shall extend from the forming shell to a suitable junction box or other enclosure located as provided in Section E4106.9. Metal parts of the luminaire and forming shell in contact with the pool water shall be of brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal.

The end of flexible-cord jackets and flexible-cord conductor terminations within a luminaire shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a suitable potting compound to prevent the entry of water into the luminaire through the cord or its conductors. In addition, the grounding connection within a luminaire shall be similarly treated to protect such connection from the deteriorating effect of pool water in the event of water entry into the luminaire.

Luminaires shall be bonded to and secured to the forming shell by a positive locking device that ensures a low-resistance contact and requires a tool to remove the luminaire from the forming shell.

E4106.5.1 Servicing. All luminaires shall be removable from the water for relamping or normal maintenance. Luminaires shall be installed in such a manner that personnel

can reach the luminaire for relamping, maintenance, or inspection while on the deck or equivalently dry location.

E4106.6 Dry-niche luminaires. Dry-niche luminaires shall be provided with provisions for drainage of water and means for accommodating one equipment grounding conductor for each conduit entry. Junction boxes shall not be required but, if used, shall not be required to be elevated or located as specified in Section E4106.9 if the luminaire is specifically identified for the purpose.

E4106.7 No-niche luminaires. No-niche luminaires shall be listed for the purpose and shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section E4106.5. Where connection to a forming shell is specified, the connection shall be to the mounting bracket.

E4106.8 Through-wall lighting assembly. A through-wall lighting assembly shall be equipped with a threaded entry or hub, or a nonmetallic hub, for the purpose of accommodating the termination of the supply conduit. A through-wall lighting assembly shall meet the construction requirements of Section E4105.4 and be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section E4106.5. Where connection to a forming shell is specified, the connection shall be to the conduit termination point.

E4106.9 Junction boxes and enclosures for transformers or ground-fault circuit interrupters. Junction boxes for underwater luminaires and enclosures for transformers and ground-fault circuit-interrupters that supply underwater luminaires shall comply with the following:

E4106.9.1 Junction boxes. A junction box connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be:

1. Listed as a swimming pool junction box;
2. Equipped with threaded entries or hubs or a nonmetallic hub;
3. Constructed of copper, brass, suitable plastic, or other approved corrosion-resistant material;
4. Provided with electrical continuity between every connected metal conduit and the grounding terminals by means of copper, brass, or other approved corrosion-resistant metal that is integral with the box; and
5. Located not less than 4 inches (102 mm), measured from the inside of the bottom of the box, above the ground level, or pool deck, or not less than 8 inches (203 mm) above the maximum pool water level, whichever provides the greatest elevation, and shall be located not less than 4 feet (1219 mm) from the inside wall of the pool, unless separated from the pool by a solid fence, wall or other permanent barrier. Where used on a lighting system operating at 15 volts or less, a flush deck box shall be permitted provided that an approved potting compound is used to fill the box to prevent the entrance of moisture; and the flush deck box is located not less than 4 feet (1219 mm) from the inside wall of the pool.

E4106.9.2 Other enclosures. An enclosure for a transformer, ground-fault circuit-interrupter or a similar device

connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be:

1. Listed and labeled for the purpose, comprised of copper, brass, suitable plastic, or other approved corrosion-resistant material;
2. Equipped with threaded entries or hubs or a nonmetallic hub;
3. Provided with an approved seal, such as duct seal at the conduit connection, that prevents circulation of air between the conduit and the enclosures;
4. Provided with electrical continuity between every connected metal conduit and the grounding terminals by means of copper, brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal that is integral with the enclosures; and
5. Located not less than 4 inches (102 mm), measured from the inside bottom of the enclosure, above the ground level or pool deck, or not less than 8 inches (203 mm) above the maximum pool water level, whichever provides the greater elevation, and shall be located not less than 4 feet (1219 mm) from the inside wall of the pool, except where separated from the pool by a solid fence, wall or other permanent barrier.

E4106.9.3 Protection of junction boxes and enclosures. Junction boxes and enclosures mounted above the grade of the finished walkway around the pool shall not be located in the walkway unless afforded additional protection, such as by location under diving boards or adjacent to fixed structures.

E4106.9.4 Grounding terminals. Junction boxes, transformer enclosures, and ground-fault circuit-interrupter enclosures connected to a conduit that extends directly to a forming shell or mounting bracket of a no-niche luminaire shall be provided with grounding terminals in a quantity not less than the number of conduit entries plus one.

E4106.9.5 Strain relief. The termination of a flexible cord of an underwater luminaire within a junction box, transformer enclosure, ground-fault circuit-interrupter, or other enclosure shall be provided with a strain relief.

E4106.10 Underwater audio equipment. Underwater audio equipment shall be identified for the purpose.

E4106.10.1 Speakers. Each speaker shall be mounted in an approved metal forming shell, the front of which is enclosed by a captive metal screen, or equivalent, that is bonded to and secured to the forming shell by a positive locking device that ensures a low-resistance contact and requires a tool to open for installation or servicing of the speaker. The forming shell shall be installed in a recess in the wall or floor of the pool.

E4106.10.2 Wiring methods. Rigid metal conduit or intermediate metal conduit of brass or other identified corrosion-resistant metal, rigid nonmetallic conduit, or liquid tight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNC-B) shall extend from the forming shell to a suitable junction box or other enclosure as provided in Section E4106.9. Where rigid nonmetallic conduit or liquid tight flexible nonmetallic conduit

is used, an 8 AWG solid or stranded insulated copper bonding jumper shall be installed in this conduit with provisions for terminating in the forming shell and the junction box. The termination of the 8 AWG bonding jumper in the forming shell shall be covered with, or encapsulated in, a suitable potting compound to protect such connection from the possible deteriorating effect of pool water.

E4106.10.3 Forming shell and metal screen. The forming shell and metal screen shall be of brass or other approved corrosion-resistant metal. All forming shells shall include provisions for terminating an 8 AWG copper conductor.

E4106.11 Electrically operated pool covers. The electric motors, controllers, and wiring for pool covers shall be located not less than 5 feet (1524 mm) from the inside wall of the pool except where separated from the pool by a wall, cover, or other permanent barrier. Electric motors installed below grade level shall be of the totally enclosed type. The electric motor and controller shall be connected to a circuit protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter. The device that controls the operation of the motor for an electrically operated pool cover shall be located so that the operator has full view of the pool.

E4106.12 Electric pool water heaters. All electric pool water heaters shall have the heating elements subdivided into loads not exceeding 48 amperes and protected at not more than 60 amperes. The ampacity of the branch-circuit conductors and the rating or setting of overcurrent protective devices shall be not less than 125 percent of the total nameplate load rating.

E4106.13 Pool area heating. The provisions of Sections E4106.13.1 through E4106.13.3 shall apply to all pool deck areas, including a covered pool, where electrically operated comfort heating units are installed within 20 feet (6096 mm) of the inside wall of the pool.

E4106.13.1 Unit heaters. Unit heaters shall be rigidly mounted to the structure and shall be of the totally enclosed or guarded types. Unit heaters shall not be mounted over the pool or within the area extending 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally from the inside walls of a pool.

E4106.13.2 Permanently wired radiant heaters. Electric radiant heaters shall be suitably guarded and securely fastened to their mounting devices. Heaters shall not be installed over a pool or within the area extending 5 feet (1524 mm) horizontally from the inside walls of the pool and shall be mounted not less than 12 feet (3658 mm) vertically above the pool deck.

E4106.13.3 Radiant heating cables prohibited. Radiant heating cables embedded in or below the deck shall be prohibited.

E4106.14 Double insulated pool pumps. A listed cord-and-plug-connected pool pump incorporating an approved system of double insulation that provides a means for grounding only the internal and nonaccessible, non-current-carrying metal parts of the pump shall be permitted to be used with permanently installed swimming pools. Branch circuit wiring to the pump shall comply with Section E4102.3.

SECTION E4107 STORABLE SWIMMING POOLS

E4107.1 Pumps. A cord-connected pool filter pump for use with storable pools shall incorporate an approved system of double insulation or its equivalent and shall be provided with means for grounding only the internal and nonaccessible noncurrent-carrying metal parts of the appliance.

The means for grounding shall be an equipment grounding conductor run with the power-supply conductors in a flexible cord that is properly terminated in a grounding-type attachment plug having a fixed grounding contact.

E4107.2 Ground-fault circuit-interrupters required. Electrical equipment, including power-supply cords, used with storable pools shall be protected by ground-fault circuit-interrupters. All 125-volt receptacles located within 20 feet (6.0 m) of the inside walls of a storable pool shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter. In determining these dimensions, the distance to be measured shall be the shortest path that the supply cord of an appliance connected to the receptacle would follow without passing through a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier.

E4107.3 Luminaires. Luminaires for storable pools shall not have exposed metal parts and shall be listed for the purpose as an assembly. In addition, luminaires for storable pools shall comply with the requirements of Section E4107.3.1 or E4107.3.2.

E4107.3.1 Fifteen (15) volts or less. A luminaire installed in or on the wall of a storable pool shall be part of a cord- and plug-connected lighting assembly. The assembly shall:

1. Have a luminaire lamp that operates at 15 volts or less;
2. Have an impact-resistant polymeric lens, luminaire body, and transformer enclosure;
3. Have a transformer meeting the requirements of section E4106.1 with a primary rating not over 150 volts; and
4. Have no exposed metal parts.

E4107.3.2 Not over 150 volts. A lighting assembly without a transformer, and with the luminaire lamp(s) operating at not over 150 volts, shall be permitted to be cord- and plug-connected where the assembly is listed as an assembly for the purpose and complies with all of the following:

1. It has an impact-resistant polymeric lens and luminaire body.
2. A ground-fault circuit interrupter with open neutral protection is provided as an integral part of the assembly.
3. The luminaire lamp is permanently connected to the ground-fault circuit interrupter with open-neutral protection.
4. It complies with the requirements of Section E4106.4.
5. It has no exposed metal parts.

E4107.4 Receptacle locations. Receptacles shall be not less than 10 feet (3.0 m) from the inside walls of a pool. In deter-

mining these dimensions, the distance to be measured shall be the shortest path that the supply cord of an appliance connected to the receptacle would follow without passing through a floor, wall, ceiling, doorway with hinged or sliding door, window opening, or other effective permanent barrier.

SECTION E4108 SPAS AND HOT TUBS

E4108.1 Ground-fault circuit-interrupters. The outlet(s) that supplies a self-contained spa or hot tub, or a packaged spa or hot tub equipment assembly, or a field-assembled spa or hot tub with a heater load of 50 amperes or less, shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit-interrupter.

A listed self-contained unit or listed packaged equipment assembly marked to indicate that integral ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection is provided for all electrical parts within the unit or assembly, including pumps, air blowers, heaters, luminaires, controls, sanitizer generators and wiring, shall not require that the outlet supply be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter.

A combination pool/hot tub or spa assembly commonly bonded need not be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter.

E4108.2 Electric water heaters. Electric spa and hot tub water heaters shall be listed and shall have the heating elements subdivided into loads not exceeding 48 amperes and protected at not more than 60 amperes. The ampacity of the branch-circuit conductors, and the rating or setting of overcurrent protective devices, shall be not less than 125 percent of the total nameplate load rating.

E4108.3 Underwater audio equipment. Underwater audio equipment used with spas and hot tubs shall comply with the provisions of Section E4106.10.

E4108.4 Emergency switch for spas and hot tubs. A clearly labeled emergency shutoff or control switch for the purpose of stopping the motor(s) that provides power to the recirculation system and jet system shall be installed at a point that is readily accessible to the users, adjacent to and within sight of the spa or hot tub and not less than 5 feet (1.5 m) away from the spa or hot tub. This requirement shall not apply to single-family dwellings.

SECTION E4109 HYDROMASSAGE BATHTUBS

E4109.1 Ground-fault circuit-interrupters. Hydromassage bathtubs and their associated electrical components shall be protected in accordance with Section E4108. All 125-volt, single-phase receptacles not exceeding 30 amperes and located within 5 feet (1524 mm) measured horizontally of the inside walls of a hydromassage tub shall be protected by a ground-fault circuit interrupter(s).

E4109.2 Other electric equipment. Luminaires, switches, receptacles, and other electrical equipment located in the same room, and not directly associated with a hydromassage bathtub, shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of

this code relative to the installation of electrical equipment in bathrooms.

E4109.3 Accessibility. Hydromassage bathtub electrical equipment shall be accessible without damaging the building structure or building finish.

E4109.4 Bonding. All metal piping systems and all grounded metal parts in contact with the circulating water shall be bonded together using a solid copper bonding jumper, insulated, covered, or bare, not smaller than 8 AWG.

CHAPTER 3

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 301 GENERAL

301.1 Scope. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the minimum conditions and the responsibilities of persons for maintenance of structures, equipment and exterior property.

301.2 Responsibility. The owner of the premises shall maintain the structures and exterior property in compliance with these requirements, except as otherwise provided for in this code. A person shall not occupy as owner-occupant or permit another person to occupy premises which are not in a sanitary and safe condition and which do not comply with the requirements of this chapter. Occupants of a dwelling unit, rooming unit or housekeeping unit are responsible for keeping in a clean, sanitary and safe condition that part of the dwelling unit, rooming unit, housekeeping unit or premises which they occupy and control.

301.3 Vacant structures and land. All vacant structures and premises thereof or vacant land shall be maintained in a clean, safe, secure and sanitary condition as provided herein so as not to cause a blighting problem or adversely affect the public health or safety.

SECTION 302 EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS

302.1 Sanitation. All exterior property and premises shall be maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition. The occupant shall keep that part of the exterior property which such occupant occupies or controls in a clean and sanitary condition.

302.2 Grading and drainage. All premises shall be graded and maintained to prevent the erosion of soil and to prevent the accumulation of stagnant water thereon, or within any structure located thereon.

Exception: Approved retention areas and reservoirs.

302.3 Sidewalks and driveways. All sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas shall be kept in a proper state of repair, and maintained free from hazardous conditions.

302.4 Weeds. All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of (jurisdiction to insert height in inches). All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens.

Upon failure of the owner or agent having charge of a property to cut and destroy weeds after service of a notice of violation, they shall be subject to prosecution in accordance with Section 106.3 and as prescribed by the authority having jurisdiction. Upon failure to comply with the notice of violation, any duly authorized employee of the jurisdiction or contractor hired by the jurisdiction shall be authorized to enter upon the

property in violation and cut and destroy the weeds growing thereon, and the costs of such removal shall be paid by the owner or agent responsible for the property.

302.5 Rodent harborage. All structures and exterior property shall be kept free from rodent harborage and infestation. Where rodents are found, they shall be promptly exterminated by approved processes which will not be injurious to human health. After extermination, proper precautions shall be taken to eliminate rodent harborage and prevent reinfestation.

302.6 Exhaust vents. Pipes, ducts, conductors, fans or blowers shall not discharge gases, steam, vapor, hot air, grease, smoke, odors or other gaseous or particulate wastes directly upon abutting or adjacent public or private property or that of another tenant.

302.7 Accessory structures. All accessory structures, including detached garages, fences and walls, shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.

302.8 Motor vehicles. Except as provided for in other regulations, no inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any premises, and no vehicle shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Painting of vehicles is prohibited unless conducted inside an approved spray booth.

Exception: A vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including body work, provided that such work is performed inside a structure or similarly enclosed area designed and approved for such purposes.

302.9 Defacement of property. No person shall willfully or wantonly damage, mutilate or deface any exterior surface of any structure or building on any private or public property by placing thereon any marking, carving or graffiti.

It shall be the responsibility of the owner to restore said surface to an approved state of maintenance and repair.

SECTION 303 SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS AND HOT TUBS

303.1 Swimming pools. Swimming pools shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and in good repair.

303.2 Enclosures. Private swimming pools, hot tubs and spas, containing water more than 24 inches (610 mm) in depth shall be completely surrounded by a fence or barrier at least 48 inches (1219 mm) in height above the finished ground level measured on the side of the barrier away from the pool. Gates and doors in such barriers shall be self-closing and self-latching. Where the self-latching device is less than 54 inches (1372 mm) above the bottom of the gate, the release mechanism shall be located on the pool side of the gate. Self-closing and self-latching gates shall be maintained such that the gate will positively close and latch when released from an open position of 6 inches (152 mm) from the gatepost. No existing pool enclosure

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shall be removed, replaced or changed in a manner that reduces its effectiveness as a safety barrier.

Exception: Spas or hot tubs with a safety cover that complies with ASTM F 1346 shall be exempt from the provisions of this section.

SECTION 304 EXTERIOR STRUCTURE

304.1 General. The exterior of a structure shall be maintained in good repair, structurally sound and sanitary so as not to pose a threat to the public health, safety or welfare.

304.2 Protective treatment. All exterior surfaces, including but not limited to, doors, door and window frames, cornices, porches, trim, balconies, decks and fences shall be maintained in good condition. Exterior wood surfaces, other than decay-resistant woods, shall be protected from the elements and decay by painting or other protective covering or treatment. Peeling, flaking and chipped paint shall be eliminated and surfaces repainted. All siding and masonry joints as well as those between the building envelope and the perimeter of windows, doors, and skylights shall be maintained weather resistant and water tight. All metal surfaces subject to rust or corrosion shall be coated to inhibit such rust and corrosion and all surfaces with rust or corrosion shall be stabilized and coated to inhibit future rust and corrosion. Oxidation stains shall be removed from exterior surfaces. Surfaces designed for stabilization by oxidation are exempt from this requirement.

[F] 304.3 Premises identification. Buildings shall have approved address numbers placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numerals or alphabet letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm).

304.4 Structural members. All structural members shall be maintained free from deterioration, and shall be capable of safely supporting the imposed dead and live loads.

304.5 Foundation walls. All foundation walls shall be maintained plumb and free from open cracks and breaks and shall be kept in such condition so as to prevent the entry of rodents and other pests.

304.6 Exterior walls. All exterior walls shall be free from holes, breaks, and loose or rotting materials; and maintained weatherproof and properly surface coated where required to prevent deterioration.

304.7 Roofs and drainage. The roof and flashing shall be sound, tight and not have defects that admit rain. Roof drainage shall be adequate to prevent dampness or deterioration in the walls or interior portion of the structure. Roof drains, gutters and downspouts shall be maintained in good repair and free from obstructions. Roof water shall not be discharged in a manner that creates a public nuisance.

304.8 Decorative features. All cornices, belt courses, corbels, terra cotta trim, wall facings and similar decorative features shall be maintained in good repair with proper anchorage and in a safe condition.

304.9 Overhang extensions. All overhang extensions including, but not limited to canopies, marquees, signs, metal awnings, fire escapes, standpipes and exhaust ducts shall be maintained in good repair and be properly anchored so as to be kept in a sound condition. When required, all exposed surfaces of metal or wood shall be protected from the elements and against decay or rust by periodic application of weather-coating materials, such as paint or similar surface treatment.

304.10 Stairways, decks, porches and balconies. Every exterior stairway, deck, porch and balcony, and all appurtenances attached thereto, shall be maintained structurally sound, in good repair, with proper anchorage and capable of supporting the imposed loads.

304.11 Chimneys and towers. All chimneys, cooling towers, smoke stacks, and similar appurtenances shall be maintained structurally safe and sound, and in good repair. All exposed surfaces of metal or wood shall be protected from the elements and against decay or rust by periodic application of weather-coating materials, such as paint or similar surface treatment.

304.12 Handrails and guards. Every handrail and guard shall be firmly fastened and capable of supporting normally imposed loads and shall be maintained in good condition.

304.13 Window, skylight and door frames. Every window, skylight, door and frame shall be kept in sound condition, good repair and weather tight.

304.13.1 Glazing. All glazing materials shall be maintained free from cracks and holes.

304.13.2 Openable windows. Every window, other than a fixed window, shall be easily openable and capable of being held in position by window hardware.

304.14 Insect screens. During the period from [DATE] to [DATE], every door, window and other outside opening required for ventilation of habitable rooms, food preparation areas, food service areas or any areas where products to be included or utilized in food for human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored shall be supplied with approved tightly fitting screens of not less than 16 mesh per inch (16 mesh per 25 mm), and every screen door used for insect control shall have a self-closing device in good working condition.

Exception: Screens shall not be required where other approved means, such as air curtains or insect repellent fans, are employed.

304.15 Doors. All exterior doors, door assemblies and hardware shall be maintained in good condition. Locks at all entrances to dwelling units and sleeping units shall tightly secure the door. Locks on means of egress doors shall be in accordance with Section 702.3.

304.16 Basement hatchways. Every basement hatchway shall be maintained to prevent the entrance of rodents, rain and surface drainage water.

304.17 Guards for basement windows. Every basement window that is openable shall be supplied with rodent shields, storm windows or other approved protection against the entry of rodents.