

TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN
REGULATING SWIMMING POOLS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN**

ORDINANCE NO. 2002- 18

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown believes that the regulation of swimming pools is in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the current regulations of swimming pools are inadequate to address the current needs of the Township of Bordentown.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, hereby promulgates the following regulations with respect to swimming pools, which are part of Chapter 25:516:

- (a) No private residential swimming pool shall be constructed or installed on any lot unless the lot contains a residence building. Pools, which include caps and aprons, shall be located in rear yards only and shall occupy no more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the rear-yard area. A minimum ten-feet (10') setback from water's edge to each property line shall be required for in-ground pools. A minimum four-feet (4') wide landscape buffer in the form of grass, shrubs, or trees shall be provided between the pool structure and the side-and rear-lot lines. Filters and other mechanical equipment associated with the operation of the pool are not permitted within the ten-feet (10') setback. Aboveground pools are required to have a minimum ten-feet (10') setback between all property lines and the water's edge or the closest portion of the deck constructed to serve the pool, whichever is closest to the property lines. Filters and other mechanical equipment associated with the operation of the pool are not permitted within the ten-feet (10') setback. A minimum distance from the nearest portion of the principal building to the closest portion of the swimming-pool structure should not be less than five-feet (5') to an open deck that is attached to the principal building. Decks may be built up to the water's edge of the pool, unless the deck is connected to the principal building.
- (b) All-swimming pools areas must be secured with fencing having a self-latching gate at least four-feet (4') high but no more than six-feet (6') high, pursuant to any amendments of the State relevant codes.
- (c) All Swimming pools shall meet the appropriate design standards as set forth by the National Swimming Pool Institute.

- (d) In-ground swimming pools shall require a grading plan showing existing and proposed grades and the proposed flow of surface drainage to ensure no adverse impact on adjoining properties. The plan is to be presented with the application. This plan must also show the location of the proposed pool and any appurtenances and must be signed and sealed by a licensed New Jersey professional engineer.
- (e) Aboveground pools shall require a plot plan of the site showing the location of the proposed pool and any appurtenances. This plan is not required to show grades.
- (f) Pools that are less than 24 inches deep or having a surface area less than 250 square feet, except when such pools are permanently equipped with a water recirculating system or involve structural materials, shall not require a construction permit.
- (g) Filters and other mechanical devices associated with the pool shall be located on the site, designed and buffered in such a way as not to cause undue negative impacts on adjoining properties.
- (h) No commercial swimming pool shall be installed unless approved by the Board as part of a site plan approval. Commercial swimming pools shall be classified into types in accordance with their particular use and shall meet the appropriate design standards as set forth by the National Swimming Pool Institute or the current edition of the Swimming Pool Code of New Jersey, whichever is more stringent.

Mark Roselli, Mayor

Colleen Cochran, Township Clerk