

POOLS

Building Code – 2015 International Swimming Pool & Spa Code

- Enclosure is ALWAYS required. No exceptions because of “safety covers”.
- Town of Wayland requires a minimum 5 foot tall fence. (C.163 town code)

Zoning:

- Setbacks for pool structures follow the rule of Accessory structures see **198-703.1** of town zoning bylaw
- A pool is not included in a Gross Floor Area calculation (i.e. can be installed on a non-conforming lot if other related requirements are met.)

FENCES

- Building permit not required for fences under 7 feet in height.
- Measurement is 7 feet from existing grade – i.e. not on top of a berm
- Fence must be placed a reasonable distance inside owner’s property line
- It is recommended, as a courtesy, that the “finished” side of the fence face the neighbor
- Fences **less than or equal to 6 feet** tall are exempt from zoning setback requirements; fences above 6 feet tall are NOT exempt.
- Fences **between 6 and 7 feet** tall must follow zoning setback requirements
- If adjacent to a street, it is recommended that the owner contact the DPW prior to placement.
- For a fence on a corner lot see **198-702.4** of town zoning bylaw as it pertains to traffic visibility