



## **TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN**

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### **GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PRIVATE SWIMMING POOLS**

The installation and maintenance of private swimming pools in the Township of West Lincoln is regulated by the provisions of the By-law No: 99-34, as amended. A permit is required for any pool that is capable of containing more than 12 inches of water. The fee is based on the value of the pool, minimum \$90.00 for above ground and \$120.00 for an in ground pool.

A summary of some of the requirement of the By-law 99-34 is given below;

- The fence and/or gate enclosing the pool must be a minimum height of 48 inches for rural and 60 inches minimum for urban area. (The wall of an above ground pool can be used if 48 inches high).
- The pool, or the yard in which the pool is located, must be enclosed by a fence.
- The fence enclosing the pool must be chain link with a top rail or of other material equivalent strength or safety to chain link. No barbed wire.
- The fence enclosing the pool shall have no openings greater than 2 inches.
- The gate must be equipped with a self-closing, self-latching device.
- The opening under the fence or gate must not be more than 2 inches.
- Any ladder/steps to the pool must be enclosed by a fence and gate.
- The posts to the fence must not be spaced more than 10 feet apart.
- The location of the pool must conform with Zoning By-law.

The above information is a general guide only.

For an application and full details for your specific location, please contact the Building and Planning Department, Township Office, 905-957-3346