

**OTHER ITEMS  
NEEDED FOR A  
PERMIT**

- ADDRESS
- CONTRACTOR'S NAME
- SIZE
- APPROXIMATE COST
- LOT PLAN DRAWING SHOWING YOUR  
LOT WITH EXISTING BUILDINGS AND  
WHERE THE POOL, FENCE OR DECK  
WILL BE PLACED

**HOW MUCH WILL THE PERMIT COST?**

DECKS, POOLS, HOT TUB PERMITS

UNDER \$4,000.00= \$35.00

\$4,001.00 AND OVER = \$35.00 PLUS

\$5.00/1,000.00 OVER \$4,000.00

FENCE \$35.00

**DIGGER'S HOTLINE**

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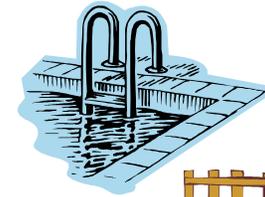
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**IMPROVING YOUR  
BACKYARD**

**ANSWERS TO MOST  
OFTEN ASKED  
QUESTIONS ABOUT:  
FENCES,  
DECKS,  
SWIMMING POOLS**



**VILLAGE OF  
ASHWAUBENON  
BUILDING  
INSPECTIONS**

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## ABOUT SWIMMING POOLS...

A BUILDING PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR INSTALLATION OF AN IN-GROUND AND ABOVE-GROUND POOL. POOLS SHALL BE LOCATED SO THAT THERE IS A TEN (10) FOOT MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM YOUR LOT'S SIDEYARD OR REARYARD LOT LINE. THE MEASUREMENT IS MADE FROM THE WATER'S EDGE TO THE LOT LINE.

IN-GROUND POOLS MUST BE COMPLETELY ENCLOSED BY A FENCE NOT LESS THAN FIFTY (50) INCHES IN HEIGHT, OF SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO PREVENT ACCESS TO THE POOL. GATES OR DOORS IN FENCES SHALL BE CLOSED AND SECURED WHEN THE POOL IS NOT IN USE.

ABOVE-GROUND POOLS WITH STATIONARY LADDERS, STAIRS OR RAMPS SHALL ALSO BE FENCED IN THE SAME MANNER AS IN-GROUND POOLS. ABOVE-GROUND POOLS WITH REMOVABLE LADDERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE FENCED AS LONG AS ACCESS TO THE POOL IS PREVENTED, OR HEIGHT OF THE POOL IS OVER FIFTY (50) INCHES, AND LADDERS ARE REMOVED WHEN POOL IS NOT IN USE.

IF PORTABLE POOLS (OVER ONE (1) FOOT IN DEPTH) ARE NOT FENCED, THEY MUST BE DRAINED OR COVERED AFTER EACH DAY'S USE IN SUCH A WAY AS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY.

## ABOUT FENCES...

A FENCE IS DEFINED AS AN ENCLOSING BARRIER CONSISTING OF VEGETATION, WOOD, STONE, METAL, OR OTHER MATERIAL. THE TERM "FENCE" SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED TO INCLUDE PLANTING, SUCH AS HEDGES, BUT NOT GUARDRAILS.

ALL FENCES SHALL HAVE THEIR DECORATIVE SIDE FACING THEIR NEIGHBORS OR THE STREET. ALL FENCES SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN GOOD WORKING ORDER AND KEPT IN GOOD REPAIR. THIS PROVISION SHALL APPLY TO EXISTING FENCES. CHAIN-LINK FENCE IS PERMITTED. NO FENCE SHALL HAVE SHARP OR POINTED PICKETS DANGEROUS TO LIFE OR LIMB. HEDGES AND OTHER PLANTINGS SHALL BE CONTINUOUSLY TRIMMED AND ALL PARTS THEREOF CONFINED TO THE PROPERTY ON WHICH PLANTED. PICKET FENCES MUST HAVE A 1/2" MINIMUM FLAT TOP ON THE PICKET.

PERIMETER FENCES CAN NOT EXCEED SIX (6) FEET IN HEIGHT ON THE REAR OF THE LOT. IT CAN NOT EXCEED SIX (6) FEET IN HEIGHT ON THE SIDE LOT LINE FROM THE REAR OF THE LOT TO THE FRONT SETBACK LINE. THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT FOR FENCES WITHIN THE SETBACK IS THREE (3) FEET.

## ABOUT DECKS...

A BUILDING PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR ANY DECK. IF A DECK IS ATTACHED TO A DWELLING OR DETACHED AND SERVES AS AN EXIT, THE DECK SHALL BE SUPPORTED ON FOOTINGS. FOOTING PADS SHALL BE NINE (9) INCHES WIDE AND EIGHT (8) INCHES DEEP MINIMUM. FOOTINGS MUST BE FORTY-EIGHT (48) INCHES BELOW GRADE. FOOTINGS SHALL BE INSPECTED.

ANY LUMBER WITHIN EIGHT (8) INCHES OF THE EARTH MUST BE PRESSURED TREATED AND RATED FOR GROUND CONTACT.

STAIR WIDTH MUST BE AT LEAST THIRTY-SIX (36) INCHES. RISERS SHALL NOT EXCEED EIGHT (8) INCHES IN HEIGHT, MEASURED VERTICALLY FROM TREAD TO TREAD. TREADS SHALL BE AT LEAST NINE (9) INCHES WIDE, MEASURED HORIZONTALLY FROM NOSING TO NOSING. THERE SHALL BE NO VARIATION IN UNIFORMITY EXCEEDING 3/16 INCH IN WIDTH OF THE TREAD OR IN THE HEIGHT OF THE RISERS.

EVERY STAIR CASE OF MORE THAN THREE (3) RISERS SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH AT LEAST ONE HANDRAIL. HANDRAILS SHALL BE PROVIDED ON ALL OPEN SIDES OF STAIRWAYS. HANDRAILS SHALL BE LOCATED AT LEAST THIRTY (30) INCHES BUT NOT MORE THAN THIRY-FOUR (34) INCHES ABOVE THE TREAD NOSING. HANDRAIL SHALL BE 1 3/8 TO 1 1/2 INCH IN DIAMETER MOUNTED WITH 1 1/2 INCH CLEAR SPACE TO SIDE WALL.

DECKS THAT ARE MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR (24) INCHES ABOVE GRADE SHALL BE PROTECTED BY GUARDRAILS. GUARDRAILS SHALL BE AT LEAST THIRTY-SIX (36) INCHES ABOVE THE UPPER SURFACE OF THE FLOOR AND SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED WITH INTERMEDIATE RAILS OR AN ORNAMENTAL PATTERN WHICH WILL PREVENT THE THROUGH-PASSAGE OF A SPHERE WITH A DIAMETER OF FOUR (4) INCHES OR LARGER. HANDRAILS AND GUARDRAILS SHALL BE DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED TO WITHSTAND A 200# LOAD APPLIED IN ANY DIRECTION.