



PLANNING AND CODES

TOWN OF DENTON

13 N. Third Street
Denton, MD 21629
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SWIMMING POOLS

- **Permits are required.**
- Accessory swimming pools, open and uncovered, may occupy a required rear or side yard provided they are not located closer than **six (6) feet to a rear lot line** or **ten (10) feet to an interior side lot line.**
- A **walk space at least three (3) feet wide** shall be provided between pool walls and protective fences or barrier walls.
- Every swimming pool **greater than 24" deep** shall be **protected by a safety fence or barrier.**
- Each safety fence/barrier must be **at least (4) feet in height so that a toddler cannot grasp its top by jumping or reaching.**
- Each safety fence/barrier must be **equipped with a self latching closure mechanism at a height above the reach of toddlers and provided with hardware for permanent locking.**
- Where an above-ground pool structure is used as a barrier, the top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches above grade measured on the side of the barrier which faces way from the swimming pool. The access gate is required to be secured with a safety latch.

Reference: Denton Code, §128-121 (A-7) & Building Code