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*This brochure is designed to inform you whether or not your swimming pool is in compliance with the City of Rensselaer Zoning Code.*

## SWIMMING POOL REQUIREMENTS **DID YOU KNOW?**

### 1. Permits

Permits must be obtained when installing any permanent swimming pool regardless of the depth. Temporary or seasonal swimming pools do not require a permit. It is also the responsibility of the property owner to make sure permits are obtained when having a contractor install the swimming pool.

### 2. Location

No swimming pool may be located in any required front or side yard along the street, and be no closer than ten (10) feet from any dwelling and fifteen (15) feet from any property line.

### 3. Fences

Every swimming pool that is left unattended, regardless of depth, must be surrounded by a security fence. The fence shall be deemed impenetrable at the discretion of the Building Commissioner. All gates and door openings through the fences must be self-closing and self-latching, while also designed to permit locking. The pool shall be kept secured when the pool is not in use. Alternatively, a power safety cover may be used.

### 4. Violations

A swimming pool may be permitted in any district as an accessory use, subject to the following additional requirements:

- a. No swimming pool may be located in any required front or side yard abutting a street, and be no closer than ten (10) feet from any dwelling and fifteen (15) feet from any property line.
- b. The surface area of the pool may not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the area of the rear yard.
- c. All swimming pools shall be in compliance with the current Indiana Residential Code, the current Indiana Swimming Pool Code, and the current Indiana Electrical Code.

Violations can result in citations, court appearances and fines up to the maximum allowable by Indiana Code.

### 5. Contact

For more information, please contact the City of Rensselaer Building Department  
219-866-2311.

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