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Notice To Industry

Pool Barrier – “Clear Zone”

The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code – 305.2.9 requires that a clear zone of not less than 36 inches be maintained between the exterior of the barrier and any permanent structures or equipment such as pumps, filters and heaters that can be used to climb the barrier.

This includes anything within the 36-inch clear zone which could be used as a step, stepping point or hand hold such as rocks, walls, equipment, stumps, tree limbs or grade to assist in climbing over the barrier. Stepping points can be objects, projections or indentations that have a horizontal surface which could potentially aid in someone’s ability to climb & access the enclosed pool area. In addition, there should be no object or projection breaking a vertical plane above the barrier to a maximum of seven (7) feet above the barrier.

As a reminder, it is the permittees responsibility for the pool barrier and to submit the barrier details as part of the permitting and plan review process. If the barrier changes from the approved plans a revision must be submitted for the barrier change.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact:

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