

What are the Swimming Pools and Hot Tubs Regulations?

As per Manitoba Building Code Specifications

Private Pool means an artificially constructed basin, lined with concrete, fiberglass, vinyl or like material, that is capable of containing water depth greater than 60cm (24") and that is located on the property of a single-family residence.

A professional engineer must certify all in-ground pools.

A fence or other barrier that is structured in the following manner must enclose all outdoor swimming pools, as follows:

- It must have a minimum vertical height of 1.5m (5ft) and a maximum vertical height of 1.8m (6ft).
- Access cannot be gained through it or under it.
- Access through the fence/barrier is restricted by means of a self-closing gate which is 1.5m (5ft) in height. The gate must be designed as to cause the gate to become secured with a lockable latch to prevent unauthorized entry. The latch shall be installed in a fashion that it cannot be easily reached or activated from the outside of the gate(s).
- Where chain link is used, the mesh size does not exceed 50mm (2") and the wire is at least number 11 gauge; and
- Where other than chain link is used, the outside surface of the fence or gate is relatively smooth so as not to provide foot or toe holds.
- No person shall operate an outdoor swimming pool unless the fence and gate are maintained in good repair.



Where can I locate my pool?

As long as your swimming pool is properly fenced it may be located in your side or rear yard. It must be no closer than 0.6m (2ft) from your rear property line and 0.3m (1ft) from your side property line. As well, the pool must be at least 1.2m (4ft) from your home.

Where can I locate the mechanical equipment for my pool?

The only restrictions on the location of the mechanical equipment are that it may not be located in your front yard, and it may not be located any closer than 4.6m (15ft) to an operable window of a neighboring residence. Having a fence between the mechanical equipment and the window does not reduce or remove this requirement.

*If you have any questions about these or any other construction projects in Minnedosa or the RM of Minto-Odanah, please contact **Tanner's Crossing Planning District**, 2nd Floor, Civic Centre, 103 Main Street South or call 204 867-2364.*