

## **SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR DOMESTIC SWIMMING POOLS TOWN OF HAPPY VALLEY-GOOSE BAY**

Please note that the following have not been adopted as a bylaw, these are suggested guidelines.

1. It is recommended that the area of the portion of such swimming pool filled or capable of being filled with water does not exceed 10 % of the area of the lot.
2. It is recommended that the swimming pools shall be a minimum of 1.22m from the property lines at the back and sides of the property, measured from the outside edge of the pool, and will not be allowed upon any right-of-way or easement.
3. It is recommended that any in-ground swimming pool be located behind the minimum set back line from the street.
4. It is recommended that the swimming pool not be located near or under power lines.
5. It is recommended that no lights, diving board or diving platform or any other equipment appurtenant to such swimming pool, except fences shall be erected above the height of 1.0 m above the average elevation of the finished level of the ground abutting the portion of a swimming pool filled or capable of being filled with water.
6. It is recommended that all swimming pools shall be completely enclosed to prevent uncontrolled access from the street or adjacent properties.
7. It is recommended that any wall or fence used to enclose such swimming pool shall be a minimum of 1.829 m high and shall be constructed as to prevent easy access either through or over it. Any gate through this enclosure must be lockable.
8. It is recommended that every fence shall have a gate or gates of chain link fencing or of material of not less than equivalent strength which provides an equivalent degree of safety; and every gate shall be of the same height as the fence, be supported by substantial hinges and be equipped with self-closing, self-latching devices placed at the top and on the inside of the gate and also with a lock.
9. It is recommended that every gate shall be kept closed and locked at all times when an adult person is not present to supervise the pool.

10. It is recommended that drainage approval be obtained from the Engineering Department.
11. It is recommended that walking surfaces around pool border be of a non-slip material.
12. It is recommended that deep and shallow ends must be clearly indicated.
13. It is recommended that all ladders and steps must possess secure handrails.
14. The owner is responsible for ensuring children are NOT left unsupervised.
15. The owner is responsible for contacting insurance company concerning condition of homeowner's policy.