



TOWN OF HANLEY

SWIMMING POOL BYLAW

It's that time of year where there may be a number of swimming pools popping up in the community. The Council for the Town of Hanley wish to remind residents of the "Swimming Pool" bylaw.

Some of the key points of the Bylaw are:

- The definition of a "private swimming pool" is "an artificial pool of water having a depth at any point of 18" or more and/or has a surface area of 100 sq.ft. or more, and is constructed or erected on private property for the principal use of the occupants of the premises, and includes both surface and underground pools." This definition would include hot tubs that have a surface area of 100 sq.ft. or more!
- The owner of every "pool" shall erect and maintain an adequate enclosure surrounding the entire swimming pool area and sufficient to make such body of water not readily accessible to small children.
- Every enclosure shall extend from the ground for a height of not less than 6 ft throughout, and shall be measured from the exterior of same. Openings in any enclosure shall not exceed 4".
- Every enclosure having a gate or gates shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices placed at the top and on the inside of the gate. No gate shall be less than 6' in height, nor of a width exceeding 4'.
- Buildings situated on the property on which the pool is to be constructed or erected may be utilized to effectively enclose any pool.
- Every swimming pool shall be equipped with a reaching pole; a first aid kit and buoys and rope.

This bylaw has continued to stay in force to prevent liability to you and the Town which means, if your pool does not comply with the bylaw and an incident occurs, you AND the Town could be sued.

Please ensure your summer swimming fun does not become an "incident". The bylaw can be viewed or a copy obtained from the Town Office.

Thank you for continuing to look after the residents of our fine community!