



# CITY OF ROCKLEDGE

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## **POOL SAFETY BARRIERS**

**Every swimming pool constructed or presently existing within the city shall have a safety barrier conforming to the following requirements:**

1. The Barrier shall take the form of either a screened enclosure, wooden or wire fence, a rock or concrete wall, or other material to blend with the architecture planned or presently on the property.
2. The barrier must be not less than four(4) feet high and non-climbable
3. The barrier must be either erected around the pool, or around the property the pool is placed on.
4. Gates must open out and be of the spring lock type that shall be automatically closed and locked at all times. Gates must be kept locked at all times when pool is not in use. The release must be not less than fifty four (54) inches from the ground or the latch must be on the poolside of the barrier and have an opening no greater than ½ " within eighteen (18) inches of the release mechanism.
5. Wire fences shall be of 2-inch chain link or diamond weave, of a non-climbable type, with a top rail.
6. Screened pools require a minimum of 18 X 20 grade screen mesh on all sides, including the roof.

**It shall be a joint responsibility of the owner and the occupant of the property to keep the pool safety barrier in proper and safe condition and the pool in a clean and safe condition.**

**If at any time the pool safety barrier is found to be in an unsafe condition, and /or the pool itself is to be found in an unsanitary and unsafe condition so as to present a health and safety hazard, the property owner must make repairs and cure the problems with in 10 days of the violation or be subject to action being taken against him by the city.**