

NSW SWIMMING POOL REGISTER

Pool 'self assessment' checklist

Spas

| | Does your pool meet the safety standards? | |
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| The spa is covered by a child-resistant lockable lid | Yes | No |
| There is an appropriate warning sign, including details of resuscitation (CPR) techniques, in the immediate vicinity of the pool area which can be easily read from a distance of 3 metres | Yes | No |
| OR | Yes | No |
| The spa is enclosed by a pool fence and gate* | | |
| The pool fence must be at least 1200mm high all the way around measured from the outside of the pool | Yes | No |
| If a boundary fence forms part of the pool fence; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For pools built <i>before</i> 1 September 2008 - it must be at least 1200mm high • For pool built <i>after</i> 1 September 2008 – it must be at least 1800mm high | Yes | No |
| The gap between the bottom of the fence and the ground must be no more than 100mm | Yes | No |
| All vertical or near vertical rails on the fence or gate must be no more than 100mm apart | Yes | No |
| There are no potential hand holds or foot holds within 900mm of the top of the pool fence in any direction. | Yes | No |
| There must be a 300mm clearance from the barrier inside the pool area | Yes | No |
| If perforated or mesh fencing is used, the holes must be 13mm or less | Yes | No |
| Your pool fence must be well maintained and in a good state of repair (eg no holes, broken rails or palings) | Yes | No |
| The gate must be self closing and latch by itself from any position | Yes | No |
| The gate latch must be working well so that the gate is secure and, once closed, can't be pulled open | Yes | No |
| The gate must open outwards, away from the pool area | Yes | No |

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| The release for the gate latch must be 1500mm above ground level, or | Yes | No |
| The release for the gate latch must be located on the inside of the fence and be surrounded by a 450mm shield so that it must be accessed by reaching over the fence or through a latch access point that is 1200mm above ground level. The gate latch itself must be at least 150mm below the top of the fence or latch shield access point. | Yes | No |
| Are you aware it is dangerous and against the law to prop the gate open? | Yes | No |
| If a wall forms part of the barrier, then there should not be an opening greater than 100mm | Yes | No |
| All windows can only open to a maximum of 100mm or | Yes | No |
| the windows must be totally covered by bars or a mesh screen | Yes | No |
| The height from the sill of the lowest opening panel of a window (to the pool area) has to be 1800mm from the ground | Yes | No |
| There must be an appropriate warning sign, including details of resuscitation (CPR) techniques, in the immediate vicinity of the pool area and which can be easily read from a distance of 3 metres | Yes | No |
| Your pool fence must be clear of any objects such as BBQs, trees, rocks, shrubs and deckchairs that could help a small child climb over the fence | Yes | No |

If you have answered 'No' to any of the questions above, please contact your local council for further information.