

# **Installing Swimming Pools in Laurentian Valley Township**



Laurentian Valley Township  
460 Witt Road  
RR #4  
Pembroke, Ontario  
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613-735-6291

Laurentian Valley Township By-Law 01-05-87 requires that all pools be secured with fences that meet a minimum standard.

In general terms the by-law requests the following minimum construction requirements.

- Installing pools and their required fencing requires a building permit, application attached.
- A swimming pool is defined as a privately owned outdoor body of water contained in whole or part by artificial means, which holds in excess of eighteen (18) inches of water in depth.
- The fence is required to be a minimum of sixty (60) inches high, and should fulfill the intent of prohibiting unauthorized entry.
- The fence is required to be a minimum of forty eight (48") inches from the edge of the water.
- The fence should have no rails or other horizontal or diagonal bracing or attachments to the outside face that may facilitate climbing.
- The fence shall have no openings with a horizontal or vertical opening greater than two inches. (This means 1 1/2 inch chainlink fencing)
- no part of the fence is permitted to have dangerous characteristics such as barbed wire or electric fencing.
- Gates shall be of the same construction and height as the fence. Shall have substantial hinges.
- Gates shall be equipped with selfclosing and self latching devices placed at the top and side of the gate, or be equipped with a lock.

Complete Sections A, B, C, D, E & H on the application, along with a plot (site) plan showing the proposed location of the proposed pool, the fence and any gates. If your property contains an onsite sewage disposal system, the pool is required to be a minimum of seventeen (17) feet from the bed and 6 feet from the tank, show the location of these on the plot plan.

Owning and operating a pool also has ongoing requirements, the by-laws require that;

- The swimming pool area must be secure at all times except when actually used by the owner, his family or persons authorized by the owner to use the pool.
- All wastewater by way of backwashing , must be drained into the sanitary sewer or a drywell, not onto the surface of the ground.

Copies of the by-laws are available at the Municipal Office located at 460 Witt Road and on the Internet at [www.laurentianvalleytwsp.on.ca/by-laws](http://www.laurentianvalleytwsp.on.ca/by-laws) . If you have any questions or concerns, please call or write.

Claus Trost  
Chief Building Official.

# Application for a Permit to Construct or Demolish

This form is authorized under subsection 8(1.1) of the Building Code Act.

For use by Principal Authority			
Application number:		Permit number (if different):	
Date received:		Roll number:	
Application submitted to:     __Laurentian Valley Township, 460 Witt Road, 613-735-6291__			
A. Project information			
Building number, street name		Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Plan number/other description	
Project value est. \$		Area of work (m <sup>2</sup> )	
B. Purpose of application			
<input type="checkbox"/> New construction / Installation of Swimming Pool		<input type="checkbox"/> Installation of new fence	
Residential Pool?     —		Commercial Pool?     —	
Description of proposed work			
C. Applicant     Applicant is: <input type="checkbox"/> Owner or <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized agent of owner			
Last name		First name	Corporation or partnership
Street address		Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number (    )	Fax (    )	Cell number (    )	
D. Owner (if different from applicant)			
Last name		First name	Corporation or partnership
Street address		Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality	Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number (    )	Fax (    )	Cell number (    )	

<b>E. Contractor</b>				
Last name		First name	Corporation or partnership (if applicable)	
Street address			Unit number	Lot/con.
Municipality		Postal code	Province	E-mail
Telephone number (     )		Fax (     )		Cell number (     )
<b>H. Completeness and compliance with applicable law</b>				
i) This application meets all the requirements of clauses 1.3.1.3 (5) (a) to (d) of Division C of the Building Code (the application is made in the correct form and by the owner or authorized agent, all applicable fields have been completed on the application and required schedules, and all required schedules are submitted).			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
ii) This application is accompanied by the plans and specifications prescribed by the applicable by-law, resolution or regulation made under clause 7(1)(b) of the <i>Building Code Act, 1992</i> .			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
iii) This application is accompanied by the information and documents prescribed by the applicable by-law, resolution or regulation made under clause 7(1)(b) of the <i>Building Code Act, 1992</i> which enable the chief building official to determine whether the proposed building, construction or demolition will contravene any applicable law. (site plan submitted)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
iv) The proposed building, construction or demolition will not contravene any applicable law.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>I. Declaration of applicant</b>				
I _____ declare that:				
(print name)				
1. The information contained in this application, attached schedules, attached plans and specifications, and other attached documentation is true to the best of my knowledge.				
2. If the owner is a corporation or partnership, I have the authority to bind the corporation or partnership.				
_____		_____		
Date		Signature of applicant		

Personal information contained in this form and schedules is collected under the authority of subsection 8(1.1) of the *Building Code Act, 1992*, and will be used in the administration and enforcement of the *Building Code Act, 1992*. Questions about the collection of personal information may be addressed to: a) the Chief Building Official of the municipality or upper-tier municipality to which this application is being made, or, b) the inspector having the powers and duties of a chief building official in relation to sewage systems or plumbing for an upper-tier municipality, board of health or conservation authority to whom this application is made, or, c) Director, Building and Development Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing 777 Bay St., 2nd Floor. Toronto, M5G 2E5 (416) 585-6666.