



Cherokee County Building Department Requirements for Swimming Pool Permits

Please be advised that the following information and documentation will be necessary prior to obtaining a swimming pool permit in unincorporated Cherokee County or other jurisdictions for which Cherokee County provides inspection services.

- For properties with a private waste disposal system (septic tank), approval from the Environmental Health Department for the proposed location of the swimming pool.
- A copy of the lot layout or plat of the property specifying to scale the location of the pool within the required building setbacks and proximity to house foundation.
- An application for a swimming pool submitted by the owner or applicant that has been approved for setback compliance by the Planning & Zoning Department.
- An electrical sub-contractor affidavit from a GA State licensed electrician who is properly registered with the Building Department. In order to register, the electrician's state card and business license is required.
- For heated pools, gas affidavit from state licensed sub-contractor responsible for installing gas line according to applicable codes and manufacturer's installation instructions for equipment being served. The sub-contractor's information must be on file with the Building Department including business license and state card number including expiration date. The manufacturer installation instructions for the pool heater are required to be available at final inspection for building inspector's perusal. Responsibility for locating and installing pool heaters according to manufacturer's instructions lies with the installer.
- A written notification of intent indicating who will be responsible for installing the appropriate fencing around the pool and requesting the required inspections including but not limited to the final inspection. Note: Cherokee County Zoning Ordinance requires a five (5) foot fence or barrier with latches five (5) feet off the ground. If the house serves as part of the barrier, an approved audible alarm is necessary to prohibit entry or serve as a warning that the pool area has been compromised. Appendix G of the 2006 IRC has been adopted by the State of GA and Cherokee County. Cherokee County amended Appendix G locally to require a 60" or 5' high barrier. Pool alarms shall be listed in compliance with UL 2017 as specified in Appendix G effective 1/1/07.

Without this information, we will be unable to issue the swimming pool permit. These requirements are necessary to ensure safety issues involving swimming pool installations.

Please note: Re-inspection fees are due before final inspection and accrue as follows: 1st failure \$25.00, 2nd failure \$50.00, 3rd failure \$100, subsequent failures \$100 each.

Cherokee County Building Department
1130 Bluffs Parkway
Canton, GA 30114

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Swimming Pool Permit # _____

Please be advised that _____ will be responsible for requesting the final inspection for the pool located at _____.

_____ will be responsible for installing the barrier/fence around the pool. It is understood that the barrier/fence must comply with Appendix G of the 2000 International Residential Code for 1 & 2 Family Dwellings. Appendix G has been amended to require a **60 inch (5 feet)** barrier/fence height requirement. If unfamiliar with Appendix G, a copy of Appendix G can be obtained from the Cherokee County Building Department. It is understood that the pool area is to be locked to exclude all persons unless a responsible person is at the pool. As pool contractor I certify that the person identified above has been explained the requirements the 5' barrier for which there are no exceptions. Failure to install the barrier as required will result in a citation being issued by the Marshal's Office for failing to abide by Cherokee County rules and regulations.

Signature Homeowner

Signature Pool Contractor Authorized Rep

Homeowner's Name (Printed)

Authorized Rep Name Printed

Notary Signature (if homeowner signs)

Building Department Staff