NSW Swimming Pool Register

POOL 'SELF ASSESSMENT' CHECKLIST







Does your pool meet the safety standards?	,	
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 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; • For pools built before 1 September 2008 - it must be at least 1200mm high • For pool built after 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 must be less 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
The gap between the vertical barriers of a gate must be no less than 100mm	○ Yes	○ No
The gate latch must be 1500mm above ground level, or if located inside the gate, 1200mm above ground level and at least 150mm below the top of the gate	○ Yes	○ No
Are you aware it is dangerous and against the law to prop the gate open?	○ Yes	○ Nö
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 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 floor	○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.

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