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## **SWIMMING POOL BARRIER CHECKLIST FORM - (FBC 8<sup>th</sup> Edition 2023)**

**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION & DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR PERMIT PROCESSING**

- Completed Building Permit Application
- Owner/Builder Affidavit, if applicable
- Notice of Commencement, if applicable
- Construction documents/plans. (If plans by registered design professional, then plans must be signed, sealed, dated and have a digitally verifiable signature.)
- Legible and current copy of Survey clearly showing where the structure will be constructed. One (1) site plan drawn to scale and/or one (1) signed and sealed survey, showing existing and proposed structures, dimensions from all property lines, use of adjoining properties, driveway(s), swales and grades for drainage.
- Provide completed and signed Swimming Pool Barrier Affidavit

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

N/A

### **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

N/A

**UNIVERSAL COUNTY-WIDE/MUNICIPAL  
BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION FORM**

**January 2024 Edition**

Approved for use throughout Palm Beach County and Municipalities

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

FBC Version: \_\_\_\_\_ Permit Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted By: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Application #: \_\_\_\_\_

**1 KIND of PERMIT (CHECK ONE):**

**PRIMARY PERMIT**  
 **SUB-PERMIT** - If Fee & Value of a Sub-Permit are covered under a Primary Permit, complete boxes 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 8 only to apply. If not covered under a Primary Permit, complete the entire application to apply.

**PRIVATE PROVIDER:**  **PLAN REVIEW**  **INSPECTIONS**

**2 PROPERTY OWNER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TENANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **UNIT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**3 TRADE (CHECK ONE):**

**STRUCTURAL**  **ROOFING**  **ELECTRICAL**  
 **MECHANICAL**  **PLUMBING**  **FIRE**  **GAS**  
 **OTHER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIMARY PERMIT #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**4 PROJECT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PCN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PROJECT ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5 FURTHER WORK DESCRIPTION:** \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Work:  New  Addition  Alteration  Repair  Demo  Temporary  Other

VALUE: \_\_\_\_\_ PERMIT FEE: \_\_\_\_\_ NET S.F (for SFD's): \_\_\_\_\_  
(SEE FEE SCHEDULE) (AS APPLIES) (AS APPLIES)

**6**

**OWNER BUILDER PER FL. ST. 489 (AS NAMED ABOVE, FOR CONTACT INFORMATION SEE BOX 2)**

**CONTRACTOR (CERT. HOLDER):** \_\_\_\_\_ License #: \_\_\_\_\_

DBA (COMPANY NAME): \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Application is hereby made to obtain a permit to do the work and installations as indicated. I certify that no work or installation has commenced prior to the issuance of a permit and that all work will be performed to meet the standards of all laws regulating construction in this jurisdiction. I understand that a separate permit must be secured for ELECTRICAL WORK, PLUMBING, SIGNS, WELLS, POOLS, FURNACES, BOILERS, HEATERS, TANKS, and AIR CONDITIONERS, etc.

**OWNER'S AFFIDAVIT:** I certify that all the foregoing information is accurate and that all work will be done in compliance with all applicable laws regulating construction and zoning.

**7**

(Signature of Owner or Agent) (including contractor)

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARY REQUIRED IF \$ 5,000 OR MORE, OR FOR ALL OWNER / BUILDERS REGARDLESS OF \$ VALUE STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, by

(Name of person making statement)

(Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida)

(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Physical Presence \_\_\_\_\_ OR Online Notarization \_\_\_\_\_

Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_ OR Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

**8**

(Signature of Contractor)

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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FEE SIMPLE TITLEHOLDER, BONDING COMPANY, ARCHITECT/ENGINEER AND MORTGAGE LENDER INFO IS REQUIRED WHEN THE AGGREGATE VALUE (TOTAL COST OF ALL IMPROVEMENTS & NOT JUST WORK AUTHORIZED BY THE INDIVIDUAL PERMIT) IS \$5,000 OR MORE (EXCEPT HVAC REPAIR /REPLACEMENT < \$15,000). PLEASE ADDRESS ALL ITEMS.

9 **Fee Simple Titleholder's Name** (If other than owner): \_\_\_\_\_  
Fee Simple Titleholder's Address (If other than owner): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Same as Owner

10 **Bonding Company**: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bonding Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not Applicable

11 **Architect/Engineer's Name**: \_\_\_\_\_  
Architect/Engineer's Name Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not Applicable

12 **Mortgage Lender's Name**: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mortgage Lender's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Not Applicable

**WARNING TO OWNER:** YOUR FAILURE TO RECORD A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MAY RESULT IN YOUR PAYING TWICE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO YOUR PROPERTY. A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MUST BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE JOB SITE BEFORE THE FIRST INSPECTION.

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR:** FOR A DIRECT CONTRACT GREATER THAN \$5,000 (EXCEPT FOR HVAC SYSTEM REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT LESS THAN \$15,000), FLORIDA STATUTES REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO FILE WITH THE ISSUING AUTHORITY, PRIOR TO THE FIRST INSPECTION, EITHER A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE RECORDED (BY OWNER) NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OR A NOTARIZED STATEMENT (BY OWNER) THAT THE NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT HAS BEEN FILED FOR RECORDING, ALONG WITH A COPY THEREOF. IN THE ABSENCE OF A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE RECORDED NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT, NO SUBSEQUENT INSPECTIONS CAN BE PERFORMED UNTIL THE APPLICANT FILES SUCH CERTIFIED COPY WITH THE ISSUING AUTHORITY. THE CERTIFIED COPY OF THE NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MUST CONTAIN THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE OWNER, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE CONTRACTOR, AND THE LOCATION OR ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY BEING IMPROVED.

IF YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN FINANCING, CONSULT WITH YOUR LENDER OR AN ATTORNEY BEFORE COMMENCING WORK OR RECORDING YOUR NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT.

FOR APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED UNDER THE PRIVATE PROVIDER PROVISIONS OF F.S. SECTION 553.791, THIS APPLICATION IS NOT CONSIDERED COMPLETE OR SUFFICIENT FOR PURPOSES OF SUBMISSION TO THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT UNTIL THE APPLICANT SECURES ALL NECESSARY APPROVALS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PLANNING, ZONING, ENGINEERING, FIRE RESCUE, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

***OFFICE USE ONLY BELOW THIS LINE***

13 **CODE EDITION/NOTES:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14 **USE (CHECK ONE):**  
 1 & 2 FAMILY    TOWNHOUSE    CONDOMINIUM  
 MULTI-FAMILY    COMMERCIAL    INDUSTRIAL  
 AGRICULTURAL - BLDG CODE EXEMPT    OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
 USE CHANGE: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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**OWNER/BUILDER AFFIDAVIT**

**NOTICE:** Florida Statute 489.103 requiring construction to be done only by licensed contractors provides an exemption from licensing for property owners acting as their contractor under specific conditions. Answers to the following questions are essential to determine if those state qualifications are satisfied by an Owner/Builder applicant.

**THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE REVIEWED AND SIGNED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES**

**(Please Type or Print Clearly)**

Owner/Builder Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Site address of the proposed building work \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name of legal title owner of the site address above \_\_\_\_\_
3. Describe the new construction or building work to be done at the site \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. How is the building or space going to be used? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who will do the actual labor in each major trade area? Owner Alone, Owner with Hired Help or By Licensed Contractor (Name)  
Trade \_\_\_\_\_ Owner Alone or Owner with Hired Help or Licensed Contractor  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Who will supervise the trade work to meet all the various adopted codes?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. What provisions are there for Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. What provisions exist for withholding Social Security and Federal Income Taxes, as required by Federal Law, from wages paid to people you hire who are not licensed?  
\_\_\_\_\_



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9. How will Workers Compensation be provided for any people hired who are not licensed?

10. After improvements are done, who will use the space.

11. Do you plan to rent, lease or offer for sale and if so, when?

13. What Code books do you own for reference?

## Building

## Electric

## HVAC

## Plumbing

14. Do you realize that as the permit holder you are liable for following all Local, County, State and Federal codes, laws and requirements? You are also liable for any one injured on the construction site.

15. Have you consulted with your Homeowner's Insurance Agent or Attorney?

I have read and understand all laws pertaining to Owner/Builder Construction and agree to comply.

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Owner/Builder Signature

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Date

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Reviewed and Accepted by Loxahatchee Groves Personnel

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Date



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## OWNER/BUILDER AFFIDAVIT

### **OWNER BUILDER AFFIDAVIT & DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PERMIT #**

The provisions of Chapter 489.103, F.S. requires construction to be done by licensed contractors. You have applied for a permit under an exemption to that law. The exemption allows you, as the owner of your property, to act as your own contractor even though you do not have a license. ***You must perform or provide direct on-site supervision of the construction yourself.*** You may build or improve a one-family or two-family residence or improve a commercial building at a cost of \$75,000 or less in value within any 12 month period, ***provided the residence or building is for your own use and occupancy.*** It may not be built or substantially improved for sale or lease. If you sell or lease a building you have built or substantially improved yourself within one year after the construction is complete, the law will presume that you built it for sale or lease, which is a violation of this exemption. You may not hire an unlicensed person as your contractor or to supervise people working on your building. It is your responsibility to make sure that people employed by you have licenses and insurance required by State law and by County licensing ordinances. Any person working on your building who is not licensed must work under your direct supervision and must be employed by you, which means that you must deduct F.I.C.A and withholding tax and provide workers' compensation for that employee, all as prescribed by law. ***The construction must be performed according to all Building Codes and Zoning Regulations, and it is your responsibility as the Owner/Builder to make sure this is done and correct any code violations. A Loxahatchee Groves Building Permit does not assure compliance with your Homeowners Association's rules, regulations and/or deed restrictions. We advise you to obtain approval from your Homeowners Association before improving your property.***

#### **Disclosure Statement: Therefore, I understand and agree:**

1. That state law requires construction to be done by a licensed contractor and have applied for an owner-builder permit under an exemption from the law. The exemption specifies that I, as the owner of the property listed, may act as my own contractor with certain restrictions even though I do not have a license.
2. That building permits are not required to be signed by a property owner unless he or she is responsible for the construction and is not hiring a licensed contractor to assume responsibility.
3. That, as an owner-builder, I am the responsible party of record on a permit. I understand that I may protect myself from potential financial risk by hiring a licensed contractor and having the permit filed in his or her name instead of my own name. I also understand that a contractor is required by law to be licensed in Florida and to list his or her license numbers on permits and contracts.
4. That I may build or improve a one-family or two-family residence or a farm outbuilding. I may also build or improve a commercial building if the costs do not exceed \$75,000. The building or residence must be for my own use or occupancy. It may not be built or substantially improved for sale or lease unless I am completing the requirements of a building permit where the contractor listed on the permit substantially completed the project. If a building or residence that I have built or substantially improved myself is sold or leased within 1 year after the construction is complete, the law will presume that I built or substantially improved it for sale or lease, which violates the exemption.
5. That, as the owner-builder, I must provide direct, onsite supervision of the construction.
6. That I may not hire an unlicensed person to act as my contractor or to supervise persons working on my building or residence. It is my responsibility to ensure that the persons whom I employ have the licenses required by law and by county or municipal ordinance.
7. That it is a frequent practice of unlicensed persons to have the property owner obtain an owner-builder permit that erroneously implies that the property owner is providing his or her own labor and materials. I, as an owner-builder, may be held liable and subjected to serious financial risk for any injuries sustained by an unlicensed person or his or her employees while working on my property. My homeowner's insurance may not provide coverage for those injuries. I am willfully acting as an owner-builder and am aware of the limits of my insurance coverage for injuries to workers on my property.
8. That I may not delegate the responsibility for supervising work to a licensed contractor who is not licensed to perform the work being done. Any person working on my building who is not licensed must work under my direct supervision and must be employed by me, which means that I must comply with laws requiring the withholding of federal income tax and social security contributions under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) and must provide workers' compensation for the employee. I understand that my failure to follow these laws may subject me to serious financial risk.



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9. That, as the party legally and financially responsible for this proposed construction activity, I will abide by all applicable laws and requirements that govern owner-builders as well as employers. I also understand that the construction must comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, building codes, and zoning regulations.
10. I understand that I may obtain more information regarding my obligations as an employer from the Internal Revenue Service, the United States Small Business Administration, the Florida Department of Financial Services, and the Florida Department of Revenue. I also understand that I may contact the Florida Construction Industry Licensing Board at (850-487-1395) or (myfloridalicense.com) for more information about licensed contractors.
11. That I am aware of, and consent to, an owner-builder building permit applied for in my name and understand that I am the party legally and financially responsible for the proposed construction activity at the following address: (address of property).
12. To notify Town of Loxahatchee Groves Building Department immediately of any additions, deletions, or changes to any of the information that I have provided on this disclosure.

Licensed contractors are regulated by laws designed to protect the public. If you contract with a person who does not have a license, the Construction Industry Licensing Board and Department of Business and Professional Regulation may be unable to assist you with any financial loss that you sustain as a result of a complaint. Your only remedy against an unlicensed contractor may be in civil court. It is also important for you to understand that, if an unlicensed contractor or employee of an individual or firm is injured while working on your property, you may be held liable for damages. If you obtain an owner-builder permit and wish to hire a licensed contractor, you will be responsible for verifying whether the contractor is properly licensed and the status of the contractor's workers' compensation coverage.

Before a building permit can be issued, this disclosure statement must be completed and signed by the property owner and returned to the local permitting agency responsible for issuing the permit. A copy of the property owner's driver license, the notarized signature of the property owner, or other type of verification acceptable to the local permitting agency is required when the permit is issued.

I, the owner of property legally described as (attach copy of Warranty Deed): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
do hereby certify that I have read the foregoing, and am aware of my responsibilities and liabilities for construction work on the above-described property. I do hereby covenant and agree to abide by each of the aforesaid stipulations. I further understand that any falsification of the above statements constitutes fraud and may result in revocation of this permit.

OWNER (Print)

DATE

OWNER (SIGNATURE)

DATE

**STATE OF FLORIDA**

**COUNTY OF PALM BEACH**

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Person Acknowledging) who is personally

known to me or who has produced \_\_\_\_\_ (Type of I.D.) as identification and who did/did not take an oath.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
SEAL

(Signature of Person Taking Acknowledgement)

(Name of Officer Taking Acknowledgement Typed, Printed or Stamped)

Pursuant to Florida Law, Chapter 489 Part 1, property owners qualified to act as their own contractor **must personally appear at the Building Department and sign the permit application.**

Instrument Prepared By:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMIT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT**

TAX FOLIO NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned hereby gives notice that improvement will be made to certain real property, and in accordance with Chapter 713, Florida Statutes, the following information is provided in this Notice of Commencement.

1. **DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY** (Legal description of the property & street address, if available) **Legal Description:** \_\_\_\_\_

2. **GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF IMPROVEMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. **OWNER INFORMATION OR LESSEE INFORMATION IF THE LESSEE CONTRACTED FOR THE IMPROVEMENT:**

a. Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Interest in property: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Name and address of fee simple titleholder (if different from Owner listed above): \_\_\_\_\_

4. a. **CONTRACTOR:** Name & Address \_\_\_\_\_

b. Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

5. **SURETY** (if applicable, a copy of the payment bond is attached): a. Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ c. Amount of bond: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

6. a. **LENDER:** Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Persons within the State of Florida designated by Owner upon whom notices or other documents may be served as provided by Section 713.13 (1) (a) 7., Florida Statutes:

a. Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Phone numbers of designated persons: \_\_\_\_\_

8. a. In addition to himself or herself, Owner designates \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to receive a copy of the Lienor's Notice as provided in Section 713.13 (1) (b), Florida Statutes.

b. Phone number of person or entity designated by Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Expiration date of notice of commencement (the expiration date will be 1 year after the date of recording unless a different date is specified): \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING TO OWNER: ANY PAYMENTS MADE BY THE OWNER AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT ARE CONSIDERED IMPROPER PAYMENTS UNDER CHAPTER 713, PART I, SECTION 713.13, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND CAN RESULT IN YOUR PAYING TWICE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO YOUR PROPERTY. A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MUST BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE SITE OF THE IMPROVEMENT BEFORE THE FIRST INSPECTION. IF YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN FINANCING, CONSULT WITH YOUR LENDER OR AN ATTORNEY BEFORE COMMENCING WORK OR RECORDING YOUR NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT.**

(Signature of Owner or Lessee, or Owner's or Lessee's Authorized Officer/Director/Partner/Manager)

(Print Name and Provide Signatory's Title/Office)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of \_\_\_\_\_ physical presence or sworn to (or affirmed) by \_\_\_\_\_ online notarization, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of person)

as \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_  
(type of authority, e.g. officer, trustee, attorney in fact) (name of party on behalf of whom instrument was executed)

Notary

(Signature of Notary Public)  
(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally Known OR Produced Identification Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_



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## SWIMMING POOL WORKSHEET - (FBC 8<sup>th</sup> Edition 2023)

SITE ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Gallons of Water: \_\_\_\_\_  Residential  Commercial

Pool Pump Model: \_\_\_\_\_ (Submit Product Specification)

Pool Filter Model: \_\_\_\_\_ (Submit Product Specification)

Heater:  Yes  No Heater Model: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Submit Product Specification)

Heater Type:  Electric  Gas (By Separate Permit)

Pool Deck Material: \_\_\_\_\_ Deck Size (S.F.): \_\_\_\_\_

Equipotential Bonding: Per NEC 2020, Section 680.26, equipotential bonding shall be installed to reduce voltage gradients in the pool area. An approved equipotential bonding inspection shall be required prior to the installation of any pool decks. Failure to obtain an approved inspection may require the removal of the pool deck for code compliance verification (FBC 8<sup>th</sup> – Section 110.6).

### RESIDENTIAL POOL BARRIER SYSTEM – FROM EXTERIOR (MUST SELECT ONE)

- "Kiddie" Type Fence: (Submit product specification at time of permitting)
- New Fence/Wall as Pool Barrier Permit (Separate building permit required)
- Existing Fence as Pool Barrier Permit (Separate building permit required)
- New Screen Enclosure Pool Barrier Permit (Separate building permit required)

### RESIDENTIAL POOL BARRIER SYSTEM – FROM INTERIOR (MUST SELECT ONE)

- "Kiddie" Type Fence: (Submit product specification at time of permitting)
- Door Pool Alarms under UL2017 (Submit product specification at time of permitting)
- Floating Pool Alarms under ASTM F2208 (Submit product specification at time of permitting)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_ (Submit Product Specification)

**Applicant's Affidavit: I hereby certify that I have read the material on all pages of this document and have FULLY provided ALL the information requested. A final electrical and barrier code inspection shall be completed prior to filling the pool with water. Failure to have an approved pool barrier prior to filling the pool may result in a \$500-\$1,000 penalty.**

Qualifier Name

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Qualifier Signature

Date

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## **POOL BARRIER REQUIREMENTS AFFIDAVIT** **FBC 2023, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition**

PERMIT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

§454.2.17.1.1 The top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches above grade measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. The maximum vertical clearance between grade and the bottom of the barrier shall be 2 inches measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. Where the top of the pool structure is above grade the barrier may be at ground level or mounted on top of the pool structure. Where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, the maximum vertical clearance between the top of the pool structure and the bottom of the barrier shall be 4 inches.

§454.2.17.1.2 The barrier may not have any gaps, openings, indentations, protrusions, or structural components that could allow a young child to crawl under, squeeze through, or climb over the barrier as herein described below. One end of the barrier shall not be removable without the aid of tools. Openings in the barrier shall not allow passage of a 4-inch diameter sphere.

§454.2.17.1.3 Solid barriers which do not have openings shall not contain indentations or protrusions except for normal construction tolerances and tooled masonry joints.

§454.2.17.1.4 Where the barrier is composed of horizontal and vertical members and the distance between the tops of the horizontal members is less than 45 inches, the horizontal members shall be located on the swimming pool side of the fence. Spacing between vertical members shall not exceed 1-3/4 inches in width. Where there are decorative cutouts within vertical members, spacing within the cutouts shall not exceed 1-3/4 inches in width.

§454.2.17.1.5 Where the barrier is composed of horizontal and vertical members and the distance between the tops of the horizontal members is 45 inches or more, spacing between vertical members shall not exceed 4 inches. Where there are decorative cutouts within vertical members, spacing within the cutouts shall not exceed 1-3/4 inches in width.

§454.2.17.1.6 Maximum mesh size for chain link fences shall be a 2-1/4 inch square unless the fence is provided with slats fastened at the top or bottom which reduce the openings to no more than 1-3/4 inches.

§454.2.17.1.7 Where the barrier is composed of diagonal members, the maximum opening formed by the diagonal members shall be no more than 1-3/4 inches.

§454.2.17.1.8 Access gates, when provided, shall comply with the requirements of §454.2.17.1.1 through §454.2.17.1.7 and shall be equipped with a self-closing and self-latching locking device located no less than 54 inches from the bottom of the gate. The device release mechanism shall be located on either side of the gate and so placed that it cannot be reached by a young child over the top or through any opening or gap. Gates that provide access to the swimming pool must open outward away from the pool. The gates and barrier shall have no opening greater than 1/2 inch within 18 inches of the release mechanism.

§454.2.17.1.9 Where a wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier, one of the following shall apply:

1. All doors and windows providing direct access from the home to the pool shall be equipped with an exit alarm complying with UL 2017 that has a minimum sound pressure rating of 85 dB A at 10 feet and is either hard-wired or of the plug-in type or battery. The exit alarm shall produce a continuous audible warning when the door and its screen are opened. The alarm shall sound immediately after the door is opened and be capable of being heard throughout the house during normal household activities. The alarm shall be equipped with a manual means to temporarily deactivate the alarm for a single opening. Such deactivation shall last no more than 15 seconds. The deactivation switch shall be located at least 54 inches above the threshold of the door.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

- a. Screened or protected windows having a bottom sill height of 48 inches or more measured from the interior finished floor at the pool access level.
- b. Windows facing the pool on floor above the first story.
- c. Screened or protected pass-through kitchen windows 42 inches or higher with a counter beneath.



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2. All doors providing direct access from the home to the pool must be equipped with a self-closing, self-latching device with positive mechanical latching/locking installed a minimum of 54 inches above the threshold, which is approved by the authority having jurisdiction.

3. A swimming pool alarm that, when placed in a pool, sounds an alarm upon detection of an accidental or unauthorized entrance into the water. Such pool alarm must meet and be independently certified to ASTM F2208, titled "Standard Safety Specification for Residential Pool Alarms," which includes surface motion, pressure, sonar, laser, and infrared alarms. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "swimming pool alarm" does not include any swimming protection alarm device designed for individual use, such as an alarm attached to a child that sounds when the child exceeds a certain distance or becomes submerged in water.

§454.2.17.1.10 Where an aboveground pool structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, and the means of access is a ladder or steps, the ladder or steps either shall be capable of being secured, locked or removed to prevent access, or the ladder or steps shall be surrounded by a barrier which meets the requirements of §454.2.17.1.1 through §454.2.17.1.9 and §454.2.17.1.12 through §454.2.17.1.14. When the ladder or steps are secured, locked or removed, any opening created shall not allow the passage of a 4 inch diameter sphere.

§454.2.17.1.11 Standard screen enclosures which meet the requirements of §454.2.17 may be utilized as part of or all of the "barrier" and shall be considered a "non-dwelling" wall. One end of the barrier shall not be removable without the aid of tools.

§454.2.17.1.12 The barrier must be placed around the perimeter of the pool and must be separate from any fence, wall, or other enclosure surrounding the yard unless the fence, wall, or other enclosure or portion thereof is situated on the perimeter of the pool, is being used as part of the barrier, and meets the barrier requirements of this section.

§454.2.17.1.13 Removable child barrier must be placed sufficiently away from the water's edge to prevent a young child or medically frail elderly person who may manage to penetrate the barrier from immediately falling into the water. Sufficiently away from the water's edge shall mean no less than 20 inches from the barrier to the water's edge. Dwelling or non-dwelling walls, when used as part or all of the "barrier" and meeting the other barrier requirements, may be as close to the water's edge as permitted by this code.

§454.2.17.1.14 A wall of a dwelling may serve as part of the barrier if it does not contain any door or window that opens to provide direct access from the home to the swimming pool.

§454.2.17.1.15 A mesh safety barrier meeting the requirements of Section 454.2.17, installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and complying with ASTM F2286, shall be considered a barrier as defined in this section. Where a hinged gate is used with a mesh fence, the gate shall comply with Section 454.2.17.1.8. Mesh fences shall not be installed on top of above-ground/on-ground private swimming pools.

§454.2.19 Final inspection. Final electrical, and barrier code, inspection shall be completed prior to filling the pool with water.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE POOL BARRIER REQUIREMENTS AS FLORIDA BUILDING CODE 8<sup>TH</sup> EDITION 2023 WITH THE LATEST AMENDMENTS, 454.2 (RESIDENTIAL), AND THAT A POOL BARRIER MEETING THESE REQUIREMENTS, FROM 454.2.17.1.1 THROUGH 454.2.17.1.15, SHALL BE IN PLACE AT THE TIME OF FINAL INSPECTION.

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