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All private swimming pools and/or hot tubs capable of containing more than 24 inches (600 mm) of water require a Building Permit and must be inspected by the R.M of Tache Building Inspector. This includes ALL types of above and below ground pools including temporary or seasonal pools.

All private pools must be completely enclosed with a fence or other suitable barrier erected in accordance with Part 10 Special Construction Standards of the Manitoba Building Code Amendments as follows:

### Enclosures

1) An outdoor *private pool* shall be enclosed with a fence or other suitable barrier constructed in accordance with the following requirements:

- a minimum height of 1.5 m,
- there shall be no openings, other than a door to a *building* or a gate as described in Clause (c), and it shall not be possible for a child to crawl under either the fence, or the gate,
- any gate shall be self-closing, shall be at least 1.5 m in height and shall be equipped with a lockable latch to prevent unauthorized entry,
- where a chain link fence is used, the outside surface of the fence or gate shall be at least No. 11 gauge,
- where other than a chain link fence is used, the outside surface of the fence or gate shall be relatively smooth so as not to provide foot or toe holds,
- if, in the opinion of the *authority having jurisdiction*, there is any undesirable feature pertaining to the enclosure, suitable steps shall be taken to correct the situation.

As per the R.M of Taché council resolution No. 2018-0394

- 2 ft. guard rail completely around the pool with a removable/lockable ladder, guard rail to be constructed to withstand 50 lbs. of force.

### Hot Tub Covers

In lieu of the enclosures specified under Articles 10.1.2.1 and 10.1.2.3, the fence and gate are not required for a hot tub installed outdoors at a single-family dwelling if:

- the hot tub does not exceed 2.4 m in diameter or 4.65 m<sup>2</sup> in total surface area,
- the hot tub has a cover that
  - has the structural strength to support the weight of an adult walking across the top of the cover when it is in the closed position, and
  - is capable of being locked in the covered position to prevent access to the water by unauthorized persons, and
- at all times when use is not supervised by an adult, the hot tub is covered by a cover that complies with Clause (b) and is locked.

A hot tub capable of containing water to depth 600 mm or greater shall have installed on it a cover that complies with Clauses (1) (b) and (c) if the hot tub is installed outdoors at a single-family dwelling.

Please refer to the package below for additional information.