



THE CITY OF
PORTSMOUTH
POOL FENCE AFFIDAVIT

As the owner of the property located at _____,

I am aware of the requirements for the enclosure of a swimming pool in accordance with Section 305 of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, including the alarm criteria set forth in item 305.4 of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code is a referenced standard of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC).

_____ **Existing Fence:**

I certify that my property has an existing fence, which meets the requirements of the code for a swimming pool enclosure.

_____ **New Fence:**

I take full responsibility, as the property owner, for ensuring that the swimming pool enclosure is installed and that the swimming pool is protected by a properly constructed fence or barrier during and after construction.

_____ **Alarm Required**

All doors which give direct access to a swimming pool must be equipped with an audible alarm which sounds when the door and/or screen are opened. The alarm must sound within 7 seconds and sound continuously for 30 seconds or more immediately after the door is opened. The alarm must be capable of being heard throughout the house during normal household activity. (The alarm sound should be distinct from other sounds in the house, such as the telephone, doorbell and smoke alarm.) The alarm must have an automatic reset feature. Because adults will want to pass through house doors in the pool barrier without setting off the alarm, the alarm must have a switch that allows adults to temporarily deactivate the alarm for up to a maximum of 15 seconds. The deactivation switch could be a touchpad (keypad) or a manual switch, and must be located at least 54 inches above the threshold of the door covered by the alarm.

In addition, I assure the swimming pool will not be filled with water or otherwise used or occupied until all final inspection approvals have been granted by the City of Portsmouth.

Owner's Name (Print)

Owner's Signature