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**NOTICE TO SWIMMING POOL OWNER**

I, (insert name) \_\_\_\_\_, residing at \_\_\_\_\_, hereby request a permit to build a swimming pool to be constructed by (company) \_\_\_\_\_. I have been informed by my contractor that prior to the final inspection and use of my pool, I will need all inspections and fencing required in accordance with applicable regulations. The private residential swimming pool specifications of the Florida Building Code requires a residential swimming pool, hot tub, or non-portable spa containing water over 24 inches deep meet the following pool barrier safety feature requirements.

Unless the pool is equipped with a safety cover complying with the specifications of American Society for Testing and Materials standard F-1346-91. The pool must be isolated from access to the home by a barrier at least 4 feet high installed around the perimeter of the pool. The barrier shall not have any gaps or openings that can allow a child to crawl under, squeeze through or climb over the barrier. A child safety barrier must be placed no less than 20 inches from the water's edge. Gates located in the pool barrier must open outwards away from the pool and be self-closing and self-latching. The self-latching device shall not be less than 54" from the bottom of the gate and is to be located on the poolside of the gate. The barrier 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 and meets the pool barrier requirements. Where a wall of a dwelling serves as part of the barrier **one** of the following shall apply. All doors and first floor windows with a sill height of less than 48 inches 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 dBA at 10 feet (3048mm). 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, **or**; All doors providing direct access from the home to the pool must be equipped with a self-closing, self-latching device with a release mechanism located at least 54 inches above the floor.

According to Florida statutes, failure to comply with these requirements is a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable by imprisonment for up to 60 days or a fine of up to \$500, except that no penalty shall be imposed if within 45 days after arrest or issuance of a summons or notice to appear, the pool is equipped with at least one of the aforementioned safety features and the responsible person attends a drowning prevention education program developed by the Florida Department of Health.

I also understand that a rough wall inspection as well as an electrical grounding inspection is required in addition to a final inspection.

**\*\* NOTE: The items above are general requirements. More specific requirements may be found in the Florida Building Code, Building Section 454 and Florida Building Code 2023, Residential Chapter 45.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owners Signature Date

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by who is [ ] personally known to me or [ ] has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and who did not take an oath.  
WITNESS my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D., 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public Signature Notary Public Seal

**POOL CONTRACTOR**

This pool will be constructed in accordance with a previously approved master plan. YES \_\_\_\_\_ (If so please specify approval number and attach a site plan) \_\_\_\_\_. NO \_\_\_\_\_ (If not a part of previously approved master plan, at the time of application for building permit please submit complete plans, to include a plan view, cross section, wall section, bottom configuration, diving board specifications, plumbing layout (including anti-entrapment provisions), site plan, and related information to demonstrate compliance with the Florida Building Code).

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Contractors Signature Date