

SOME DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

Swimming Pool:

A “Swimming Pool” means any body of water located outdoors and contained entirely or partly by an artificial structure. It can hold water exceeding 61 mm (24 inches) deep at any point. Hot Tubs, Inflatable Pools and Above Ground Pools are included in this definition. However, any swimming pool owned by a public/governmental body is not included.

To review the existing Swimming Pool Enclosure By-law, visit www.mississauga.ca/poolinstallation.

Hot Tub:

A “Hot Tub” means any body of water located outdoors contained by artificial structures and with machinery allowing for the direction and/or adjustment of jets of warm water flowing in a rapidly rotating and circular current, and which produces a depression or cavity of the centre. A “Hot Tub,” by definition, includes tubs commonly known as “spas” or “whirlpools.”

Swimming Pool Enclosure:

A fence or wall or combination thereof, including any doors or gates surrounding a privately owned outdoor swimming pool and restricting access thereto.

Municipal Services Protection Deposit (MSPD):

Construction of a pool may require excavation and landscaping involving heavy equipment; therefore, the potential for damage to City property exists. For example, to access a backyard, an excavator may have to cross the City’s boulevard and sidewalk, which could cause damages such as cracked or scuffed pavement, damaged curbs and sidewalks.

A Municipal Services Protection Deposit (MSPD) ensures funds are available to repair damages to City property. The deposit is fully refundable provided there are no damages. The City will inspect its property a minimum three (3) business days prior to the beginning of construction. The City will again inspect the property after the completion of the construction, including landscaping and grading. If construction damages are found, the cost of repairing the damages will be subtracted from the MSPD. If the cost is greater than the deposit, the customer will be responsible to pay the difference to the City. The Homeowner may choose to have a City-approved contractor do the necessary repairs, but must notify the Technical Services Section at 905-615-3200 ext. 3038 at least 48 hours prior to such repair.

Lot Grading Deposit:

A Lot Grading Deposit is a security deposit to ensure all excavated material is removed and existing grading along property boundaries is maintained. It also ensures that there are no adverse drainage issues on neighbouring properties as a result of the pool installation. When submitting a site plan drawing for review, grading information must be included. Please refer to the instructions and sample drawing included in this document, which serve as a guide to the details that are reviewed by the Lot Grading Technician. Your Swimming Pool Site and Lot Grading Plan must identify all the required elements.

Statutory Declaration:

A statutory declaration is a written declaration or statement of facts made by a person or persons and administered by someone who is authorized to do so such as a Commissioner of Oaths (e.g. lawyer). A person who makes a statutory declaration must solemnly declare that they conscientiously believe the facts declared to be true and that they know the statutory declaration is of the same force and effect in law as if it were made under oath.