



**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
PLANNING - BUILDING INSPECTIONS – ZONING**

## **DEMOLITION OF GUNITE SWIMMING POOL/SPA INTRODUCTION**

This information is presented to make home owners aware of the requirements for abandoning a conventional in-ground pool or spa. This work requires a Building Permit. If the existing pool location is to be built over, a separate soils compaction report is required.

### **POOL DEMOLITION REQUIREMENTS**

1. The bottom needs to be removed for drainage (i.e., drill multiple holes through the bottom).
2. When the pool coping is removed, it shall be removed to a depth of 18” below the finished grade. (Removal of the coping is not a requirement).
3. Removal of any above ground pool plumbing including pumps and heaters.
4. When the electrical sub-panel is removed, the electrical sub-feed conductors shall be removed from the electric service supply location.
5. Conversion of the existing pool electrical system to any other use will require a separate permit and approval. An electrical inspection is required to determine if electrically safe (i.e., knock outs and breaker space(s) filled).
6. The permit fee is based on the valuation of the work being done.
7. Inspection is required before the pool/spa is filled in.
8. The pool/spa must be filled in with sand (type SE25), dirt (compacted to 90%) or gravel.
9. If the site will be built on, a certified compaction report from a recognized lab is necessary.
10. BMP provisions are required: “The discharge of pollutants to any storm drainage system is prohibited. No solid waste, petroleum by products, soil particulate, construction waste materials, or wastewater generated on construction sites or by construction activities shall be placed conveyed or discharged into the street, gutter or storm drain system.”