



# POOL/SPA DEMOLITION GUIDELINES

**BUILDING DIVISION**

## General

- A permit is required for the removal of an in-ground swimming pool or spa.
- Contact the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, (CCCSD) at 925.228.9500 prior to draining pool/spa water into the sanitary sewer system.
- Do not drain pool or spa water into a street, gutter, or storm drain.
- If you are on a septic system, please contact the CCCSD prior to draining the pool/spa.

## Requirements

- A plot plan indicating the location of the pool/spa, the distance from the pool/spa to all structures and property lines is required at permit submittal.
- Complete removal of the pool/spa structure is recommended. If the structure is not being completely removed, the pool/spa shell shall be broken up or holes shall be drilled in the pool/spa bottom.
- The drilling of holes shall be 2-inches in diameter, passing completely through the shell bottom, and approximately 2-feet on center throughout the pool/spa bottom to allow for proper drainage.
- The coping and bond beam may remain in place. If removal is preferred, they must be removed to a level at least 2-feet below finish grade.
- Three quarter inch (3/4") or larger crushed rock should be installed at the bottom of the pool approximately 6-10-inches in thickness and covered with the appropriate topsoil.
- The fill material should be compacted to 90% minimum compaction in 12-inch layers.
- All pool associated equipment, e.g., pumps, electrical, gas piping, etc., must be removed from the site.

## Inspection Procedures

At least two inspections are required for the pool/spa demolition. The first inspection should be performed after the pool shell demolition is complete, or when the holes are drilled. Inspector verification of associated pool equipment removal may also occur at the initial inspection. The final inspection should be scheduled when all the work is completed including the removal of equipment and the filling in of the pool/spa area.