BUILDING BLOCKS

Pool Barriers

Florida State Statute 515, Residential Swimming Pool Safety Act, requires that swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs shall be provided with a barrier complying with the Florida Building Code that obstructs access from the residence and the yard outside the barrier.

For all newly constructed or substantially improved pools, the contractor shall identify at the time of application the type of barrier to be used to satisfy Florida State Statute 515.

Separate alarm contractors, screen enclosures, and fences shall require separate permits.

Any listed and approved removable child safety barrier, "baby barrier," meeting all of the requirements specified in the Florida Building Code shall be considered an approved pool barrier. Child safety barriers shall not be required to be permitted separately.