

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 15 ARTICLE 15-16, “CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION”, TO CHANGE THE TITLE TO “SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE” AND TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE, 2024 EDITION, AS THE CITY OF COPPELL SWIMMING POOL CODE; PROVIDING AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA 2024 EDITION; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; EXCEPT HOWEVER, WHERE A DIFFERENT PENALTY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY STATE LAW FOR SUCH OFFENSE WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF LAW THAT GOVERNS FIRE SAFETY, ZONING, OR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION, INCLUDING DUMPING OF REFUSE, THE PENALTY SHALL BE A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COPPELL, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coppell, Texas be, and the same is, hereby amended by amending Chapter 15, Article 15-16, “International Swimming Pool and Spa Code”, in part to adopt the International Energy Conservation Code, 2024 Edition, and all appendices, with amendments to read as follows:

“ARTICLE 15-16. INTERNARTIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE”

Sec. 15-16-1. Swimming Pool and Spa Code—Adopted.

The 2024 edition of the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code is hereby adopted as the official swimming pool and spa code of the city. The pool and spa code is fully incorporated by reference as though copied into this section in its entirety. The material contained within shall not be included in the formal municipal codification of ordinances but shall be maintained as a public record in the office of the city secretary and will be available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours.

Sec. 15-16-2. Amendments.

The swimming pool and spa code adopted in this article shall be subject to the exceptions and amendments to the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2024 edition, as follows:

1. Section 101.1; Amend to read as follows:

Section 101.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the Swimming Pool and Spa Code of City of Coppell hereinafter referred to as “this code.”

2. Section 102.9; Amend to read as follows:

Section 102.9 Other laws. The provisions of this code shall not be deemed to nullify any provisions of local, state or federal law, to include but not limited to;

1. Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS); *Standards for Public Pools and Spas*; §285.181 through §285.208, (TDSHS rules do not apply to pools serving one- and two-family dwellings or townhouses).
2. *Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR); 2012 Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS)*, TAS provide the scoping and technical requirements for accessibility for Swimming Pool, wading pools and spas and shall comply with *2012 TAS, Section 242*. (TAS rules do not apply to pools serving one- and two-family dwellings or townhouses).

Exception: Elements regulated under Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) and built in accordance with TDLR approved plans, including any variances or waivers granted by the TDLR, shall be deemed to be in compliance with the requirements of this Chapter.

3. Section 103.1; Amend to read as follows:

Section 103.1 Creation of enforcement agency. The City of Coppell Building Inspection Department is hereby created and the official in charge thereof shall be known as the *code official*. The City of Coppell Environmental Health Department is hereby created

and the official in charge thereof shall be known as the *code official* for operation and maintenance of any *public swimming pool* in accordance this code, local and state law.

4. Section 105.3; Add paragraph to read as follows:

Section 105.3 Construction documents. [Code text unchanged] The plans and specifications shall be submitted under the seal of a registered professional engineer or registered architect with the statement that they meet the requirements of the state standards for public swimming pools and spas.

5. Section 113.4; Delete, in its entirety.

6. 114.2; Amend to read as follows:

114.2 Stop work orders. Upon notice from the code official, work on any system that is being done contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner shall immediately cease. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. The notice shall state the conditions under which work is authorized to resume. Where an emergency exists, the code official shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work. Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be in violation of this code.

7. Section 202; DEFINITIONS; amend the definition of “PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL (Public Pool)” to read as follows:

PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL (Public Pool). A pool, other than a *residential pool*, that is intended to be used for swimming or bathing and is operated by an owner, lessee, operator, licensee or concessionaire, regardless of whether a fee is charged for use. City of Coppell Environmental Health Department regulates the operation of public pools. Routine inspections on pools and spas open to the public are conducted to document compliance with the standards set forth in State law.

Public pools shall be further classified and defined as follows:

[remainder unchanged]

8. Section 305.2; Amend to read as follows:

305.2 Outdoor swimming pools and spas. Outdoor pools and spas and indoor swimming pools shall be surrounded by a barrier that complies with Sections 305.2.1 through 305.7; and in accordance with the Texas Administrative Code, Texas Health and Safety Code 757 for public pools.

9. Section 305.2.3; Add sentence to read as follows:

305.2.5 [Code text unchanged]... Horizontal fence boards that are staggered or lapped to create indentions and protrusions are not permitted to face the outside of the pool barrier.

10. Add subsection 305.2.8; to read as follows:

305.2.7.1 Chain link fencing prohibited. Chain link fencing is not permitted as a barrier for pools.

11. Section 305.3.1 Add subsection 305.3.1 to read as follows:

305.3.1 Vehicular gate as a barrier. In one-and two-family dwellings and townhouses, gates intended for vehicular passage are not permitted as a component of a pool barrier.

12. Section 305.6; Amend to read as follows:

305.6 Natural barriers used in a one- and two-family dwelling or townhouse. In the case where the pool or spa area abuts the edge of a lake or other natural body of water, public access is not permitted or allowed along the shoreline, and required barriers extend to and beyond the water's edge a minimum of eighteen (18) inches, a barrier is not required between the natural body of water shoreline and the pool or spa.

13. Section 311; Amend to read as follows:

311.1 General. Suction entrapment avoidance for pools and spas shall be provided in accordance with APSP 7 or for public swimming pools in accordance with State of Texas

Rules for Public Swimming Pools and Spas, Title 25 TAC Chapter 265 Subchapter L,
 Rule §265.190.

[Remainder unchanged]

14. Section 314.7; Amend to read as follows:

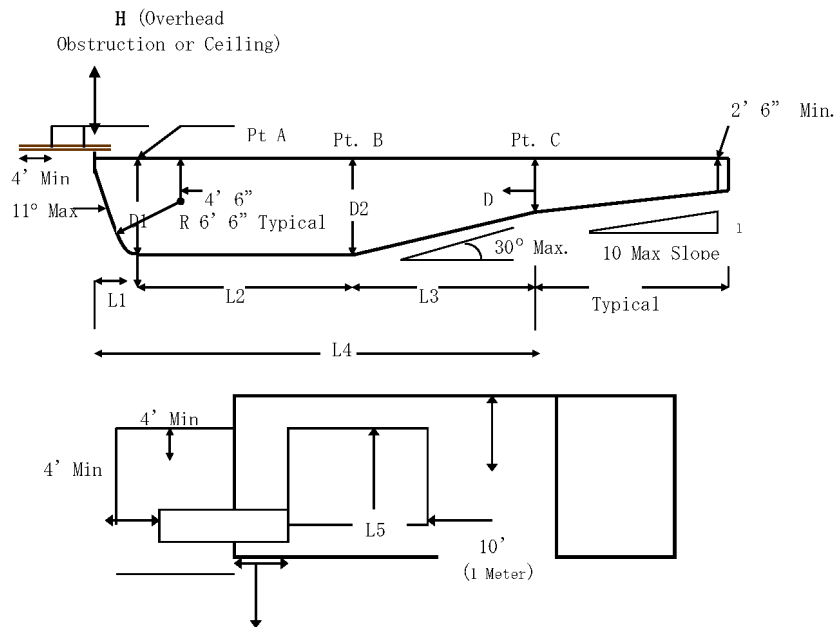
314.7 Emergency shutoff switch for spas and hot tubs. A clearly labeled emergency shutoff or control switch for the purpose of stopping the motor(s) that provide power to the recirculation system and jet system shall be installed at a point readily accessible to the users and not less than 1.5 m (5 ft.) away, adjacent to, and within sight of the spa or hot tub. This requirement shall not apply to one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses.

15. Section 402.12; Amend to read as follows:

402.12 Water envelopes. The minimum diving water envelopes shall be in accordance with Texas department of State Health services, Administrative Code Title 25, Chapter 265, Section 186 (e) and Figure: 25 TAC 256.186 (e) (6). Which are as follows: (Delete Table 402.12 and Figure 402.12)

Maximum Diving Board Height Over Water	¾ Meter	1 Meter	3 Meters
Max. Diving Board Length	12 ft.	16 ft.	16 ft.
Minimum Diving Board Overhang	2 ft. 6 in.	5 ft.	5 ft.
D1 Minimum	8 ft. 6 in.	11 ft. 2 in.	12 ft. 2 in.
D2 Minimum	9 ft.	10 ft. 10 in.	11 ft. 10 in.
D3 Minimum	4 ft.	6 ft.	6 ft.
L1 Minimum	4 ft.	5 ft.	5 ft.
L2 Minimum	12 ft.	16 ft. 5 in.	19 ft. 9 in.
L3 Minimum	14 ft. 10 in.	13 ft. 2 in.	13 ft. 11 in.

L4 Minimum	30 ft. 10 in.	34 ft. 7 in.	38 ft. 8 in.
L5 Minimum	8 ft.	10 ft.	13 ft.
H Minimum	16 ft.	16 ft.	16 ft.
From Plummet to Pool Wall at Side	9 ft.	10 ft.	11 ft. 6 in.
From Plummet to Adjacent Plummet	10 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.



16. Section 402.13; Amend to read as follows:

402.13 Ladders for diving equipment. Ladders shall be provided with two grab rails or two handrails. There shall be a uniform distance between ladder treads, with a 7 inch (178 mm minimum) distance and 12 inch (305 mm) maximum distance. Supports, platforms, steps, and ladders for diving equipment shall be designed to carry the anticipated loads. Steps and ladders shall be of corrosion-resistant material, easily cleanable and with slip-resistant tread;

17. Section 411.2.1 & 411.2.2; Amend to read as follows:

411.2.1 Tread dimensions and area. Treads shall have a minimum unobstructed horizontal depth (i.e., horizontal run) of 12 inches and a minimum width of 20 inches.

411.2.2 Risers. Risers for steps shall have a maximum uniform height of 10 inches, with the bottom riser height allowed to taper to zero.

18. Section 411.5.1 & 411.5.2; Amend to read as follows:

411.5.1 Swimouts. Swimouts, located in either the deep or shallow area of a pool, shall comply with all of the following:

1. Unchanged
2. Unchanged
3. Unchanged
4. The leading edge shall be visibly set apart and provided with a horizontal solid or broken stripe at least 1 inch wide on the top surface along the front leading edge of each step. This stripe shall be plainly visible to persons on the pool deck. The stripe shall be a contrasting color to the background on which it is applied, and the color shall be permanent in nature and shall be a slip-resistant surface

411.5.2 Underwater seats and benches. Underwater seats and benches, whether used alone or in conjunction with pool stairs, shall comply with all of the following:

1. Unchanged
2. Unchanged
3. Unchanged
4. Unchanged
5. The leading edge shall be visually set apart and provided with a horizontal solid or broken stripe at least 1 inch wide on the top surface along the front leading edge of each step. This stripe shall be plainly visible to persons on the pool deck. The stripe shall be contrasting color to the background on which it is applied, and the color shall be permanent in nature and shall be a slip-resistant surface.
6. Unchanged
7. Unchanged

19. Section 601.3; Add paragraph to read as follows:

601.3 General. *[Code text unchanged]* The Standards for Public Interactive Water Features and Fountains adopted by the Texas Department of Health Services as Texas Administration Code 265.301 through 265.308, as amended, and as amended in this ordinance, herein adopted as the City of Coppell Public Interactive Water Features and Fountains Construction, Operation, and Maintenance Regulations, shall apply.

20. Section 603.2.1; Amend Section 603.2 to insert new section 603.2.1 to read as follows:

603.2.1 Class A and B pools: Class A and B pools over 5 feet deep: the transition point of the pool from the shallow area to the deep area of the pool shall be visually set apart with a 4-inch minimum width row of floor tile, a painted line, or similar means using a color contrasting with the bottom; and a rope and float line shall be provided between 1 foot and 2 feet on the shallow side of the 5-foot depth along and parallel to this depth from one side of the pool to the other side. The floats shall be spaced at not greater than 7-foot intervals; and the floats shall be secured so they will not slide or bunch up. The stretched float line shall be of sufficient size and strength to offer a good handhold and support loads normally imposed by users. If the owner or operator of the pool knows or should have known in the exercise of ordinary care that a rope or float is missing, broken, or defective, the problem shall be promptly remedied.

21. Section 610.5.1; Amend to read:

610.5.1 Uniform height of 10 inches. Except for the bottom riser, risers at the centerline shall have a maximum uniform height of 10 inches (254 mm). The bottom riser height shall be permitted to vary from the other risers.

22. Section 804 Diving Water Envelopes; Amend to read as follows:

Section 804.1 General. The minimum diving water envelopes shall be in accordance with Table 804.1 and Figure 804.1, or the manufacturer's specifications, whichever is greater. Negative construction tolerances shall not be applied to the dimensions of the minimum diving water envelopes given in Table 804.1."

SECTION 2. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or work in this ordinance, or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance, and the City Council of the City of Coppell, Texas hereby declares it would have enacted such remaining portions despite any such invalidity.

SECTION 3. That the repeal of any ordinance or any portion thereof by the preceding sections shall not affect or impair any act done or right vested or accrued or any proceeding, suit or prosecution had or commenced in any cause before such repeal shall take effect; but every such act done, or right vested or accrued, or proceedings, suit or prosecution had or commenced shall remain in full force and effect to all intents or purposes as if such ordinance or part thereof so repealed shall remain in force.

SECTION 4. That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or the Code of Ordinances as amended hereby, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Municipal Court of the City of Coppell, Texas, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense, except where a different penalty has been established by State law for such offense, the penalty shall be that fixed by State law, and for any offense which is a violation of any provision of law that governs fire safety, zoning or public health and sanitation, including dumping of refuse, the penalty shall be fine not to exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense; and each and every day such offense is continued shall constitute a new and separate offense.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption, as the law and charter in such cases provide.

DULY PASSED by the City Council of Coppell, Texas, this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

APPROVED:

WES MAYS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ASHLEY OWENS, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROBERT HAGER, CITY ATTORNEY