

# CITY OF MILPITAS

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## POOL DEMOLITION

### 1. PERMIT INFORMATION:

- A Building Permit may be issued only to a State of California Licensed Contractor or the Homeowner.
- Building Permits may be issued to a Homeowner for construction if that Homeowner indicates the intent to do his or her own work personally. If the inspection indicates the Homeowner is unable to perform the work satisfactorily, then a licensed contractor must perform the work.
- If the Homeowner is planning to hire workers, State Law requires the Homeowner to obtain Worker's Compensation Insurance. Proof of this insurance is required prior to inspection.

### 2. BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

- The filling of an existing in-ground pool or spa requires a demolition permit.
- If the pool shell is to remain, four holes (minimum one foot in diameter) shall be made in the bottom of the DEEP END of the pool floor.
- Fill up the pool with clean (non-contaminated) pea gravel & compact. The upper 12" may be filled with non-contaminated native soil.
- All plumbing and electrical must be removed and or abandoned in a safe and proper manner.
- If any structures (including a gazebo, patio cover, etc.) are placed over the pool or if you plan a future addition to the house over the existing pool area, a soils compaction report and other permits will be required at that time.
- Smoke alarms:** When the value of the work exceeds \$1,000, smoke detectors must be installed if they do not exist as follows: in each sleeping room, at a point centrally located in the corridor or area giving access to each separate sleeping area, and on each story. In existing construction, detectors may be battery operated. See CBC Section 907.2.10 and the separate handout on Smoke Alarms for more information.
- Spark arrester:** When the value of the work exceeds \$1,000, a spark arrester must be installed on fireplace chimneys if one does not exist per MMC Section II-3-2.06. Spark arresters shall be constructed in conformance with CBC Section 2113.9.1 or 2802.1. See separate handout on Spark Arresters for more information.

### 3. INSPECTION PROCEDURES

- Three inspections are required for pool removals. The first inspection shall be scheduled after the holes along the pool floor have been drilled and before the pool is filled. The second inspection shall be scheduled after the gravel is placed. The final inspection shall be scheduled after all work is completed. For each inspection, the Permit Card and the Approved Job Copy of the Drawings (if any) must be presented to the inspector. Permits expire 180 days after the last passed inspection.

### 4. QUESTIONS:

- If you have any questions regarding your project contact the Building & Safety Department at (408) 586-3240.