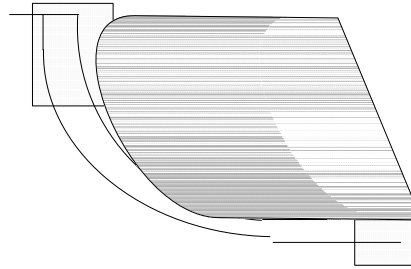
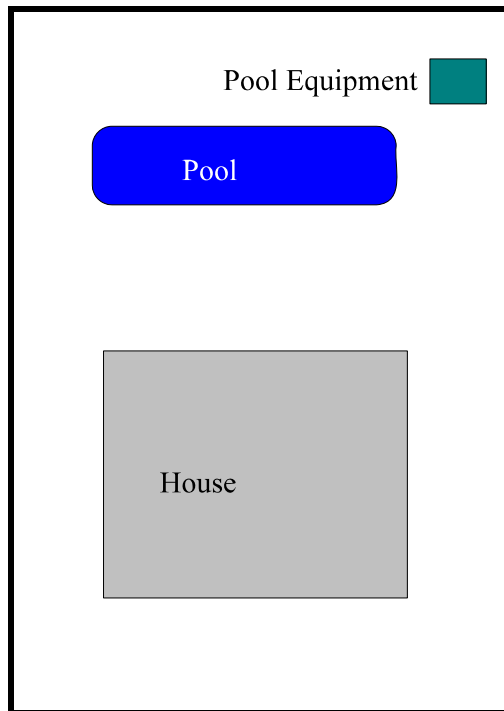


Typical Pool with hole locations



Typical pool wall detail showing the back fill, the area of removal at the top of the pool and the hole in the bottom of the pool.



Typical plot plan



How do I get a permit to demolish my pool

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I don't want my pool anymore what do I do?

First you need to decide on a contractor who can demolish your pool. The Building Division does not recommend that a home owner do this job.

Why do I need a permit to remove a pool.

You need a permit to remove a pool so that when the work is done it is done in a proper and complete method. If the process of removal is done wrong you can have sinking in the area of the pool or have the pool come out of the ground. You can have gas lines that only have the valve turned off and if that valve is accidentally opened could cause a fire, you could have electrical wires shorting out and creating sparks, or a range of other problems

Property Taxes

By getting a permit this will also remove this improvement from your property taxes and reduce your property taxes.

To get a permit the following must happen

The contractor (or homeowner) must bring a plan to the Building Division to obtain a permit.

The plan must show the following;

1. The pool and its equipment in relation to the property and house.
2. How the pool will be demolished.
Since most demolition do not take the entire pool out, then the plan must show how the pool shell will be damaged so the hydrostatic pressure does not raise it out of the ground. This is usually done by putting 5-8 holes at least 12" x 12" along the entire pool bottom.

Next show how far down the top coping and wall sides will be taken down into the pool shell.

3. Show what type of materials will be used to fill the pool. Show what the finished materials will be.
4. Show how the pool equipment will be taken apart and made inoperable.
5. Provide a written description of all the above actions / steps.
6. Submit 3 copies to the Building Division for permit processing.

Once the plan is approved the permit is ready to issue.

Your contractor can now pick up his / her permit, pay the required fees and

once that is done the contractor can start work.

Required Inspections;

- 1) When the pool has the holes in the bottom and the side walls have been broken and demolished or the pool shell has been completely removed.
- 2) When the pool equipment has been disconnected, wiring disconnected and removed, gas lines capped and removed. Pool piping has been removed or properly capped off. Removal of equipment include any solar heating systems.
- 3) The backfilling must be done in a proper fashion and to achieve this the materials used to fill the pool must be compacted. This compaction should be to a 90% compaction. In order to make sure that it is up to this standard a special inspection company will need to do compaction testing and reports submitted to the Building Division.
- 4) When the pool has been completely backfilled and all work has been finished as outlined on the permit.

After this final inspection if all the components have been done and all the inspection have been passed the job is now complete and finalized.