

SUMMER IS COMING

Make sure your summer is one to remember for all the right reasons by carrying out a few simple checks.

Actively checking your pool/spa barrier and surrounds could save a life.

- The pool/spa gate should be kept closed at all times
- The effective pool/spa barrier height must not be less than 1200mm high, when measured from the finished ground level to the top of the barrier, and is to include a continuous non-climbable zone around the entire pool/spa fence
- Gates should open outwards away from the pool/spa area, and must be self-closing and self-latching from all open positions - replace immediately if it no longer self-latches
- The gate latch is to be a minimum height of 1500mm when measured from the finished ground level to the bottom of the latch to prevent unsupervised access by young children
- Look for signs of deterioration such as rust, loose hinges or broken panels and arrange for immediate repair
- Climbable objects such as furniture, trees, branches, shrubs, plants, pool toys or any other obstructions around the fence, that a child can use to climb over the fence or open the gate to gain access to the pool/spa area, are to be moved a minimum of 300mm away from the fence
- Ensure that your pool/spa is recorded on the Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC) Pools Register (My.qbcc.qld.gov.au). If the pool/spa has been constructed, or if the property has recently been sold or rented, a Pool Safety Certificate should be recorded.

The above safety checks are a guide only and do not constitute acknowledgment or approval of compliance or safety.

For more info about pool safety and legislative requirements, visit lpswich.qld.gov.au/poolsafe



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