



## Jamestowne HOA Guidance to Homeowners on Residential Pool Application and Approval August 2011

The Jamestowne HOA Covenants **Article 8.2 (20) Pools** specifies that, "Swimming pools are permitted only if constructed below ground level at the rear of the Lot and then only after the pool and all appurtenant structures are approved by the Covenants Committee (HOA Board). Pool houses and gazebos are not allowed outside the building envelope."

Above-ground pools are permitted if they are not a permanent structure and are taken down after the swimming season is over. Specifically, the HOA design requirements for all above-ground pools include that the pool must:

- 1) not be a permanent structure,
- 2) be behind a lockable fence,
- 3) have a water motion alarm when not being used,
- 4) have a removable or adjustable ladder that is removed or locked to deny access when the pool is not in use,
- 5) be in the back yard and out of sight from the street,
- 6) have a filtration system.

Plans for in-ground and above-ground pools must be submitted to the HOA Board for approval and must to meet the permit requirements of the Town of La Plata depending on the type of structure. The primary concern of the HOA board is for the safety of the children in the community. Homeowners must show that all safety requirements of the Town are met and that the design is complementary to the property (including all appurtenant structures). Please submit the plans using the HOA Homeowner Project Application form that can be found on the Jamestowne HOA website at (<http://www.jamestownehoa.org/documents/ProjectApplication.pdf>).

### Permit Information:

#### Town of La Plata

- There currently are no formally written guidelines for that the Town has published. However, homeowners must obtain a permit by the Town for permanent pool.
- Homeowners interested in installing a pool should contact the Town of La Plata at (301) 934-8421 or (301) 870-3377.