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ABANDONED POOLS

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Pools which are abandoned shall be filled solid with granular material to prevent flotation and capped with soil, sand, concrete, or asphalt paving material. The pool walls must be perforated with sufficient openings to permit infiltration and exfiltration of groundwater.

All connections to water supply or drains must be capped in accordance with applicable codes. All electrical connections are to be terminated or disconnected in accordance with the electrical code.

APPLICABLE STANDARDS:

1. Santa Ana Municipal Code Section 8-21
2. 2022 California Building Code (CBC)
3. 2022 California Electrical Code (CEC)
4. 2022 California Plumbing Code (CPC)

PERMITS REQUIRED:

1. Building Permit (with site plan)
2. Electrical Permit
3. Plumbing Permit

APPROVALS REQUIRED

1. Planning Department
2. Public Works Agency – NPDES requirements (construction water run-off)

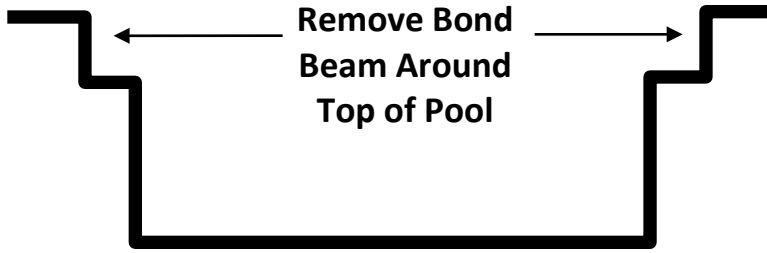
INSPECTIONS REQUIRED:

Telephone (714) 667-2738 or schedule online at www.Santa-ana.org/building-inspection-scheduling/

1. Electrical
2. Plumbing
3. Building (gives ok to backfill after electrical/plumbing is ok – inspections for required openings)

In lieu of filling the pool with granular material, compacted soil may be used. Whenever compacted soil is used (residential or commercial), it shall be compacted to 90% of the laboratory standard using standard ASTM methods. The compaction report shall be submitted to the building inspector at the time of final inspection. The compaction report will be filed with the finalized building permit.

For proposed additions over existing pool or spa, a compaction report prepared by a professional engineer is required. The report shall specify the back-fill material and confirm that it has been properly compacted to support the new additions.



Typical depth of bond beam is 12" - 18"

**Jack hammer 5 holes in the bottom of the pool
4 holes in the deep end and 1 hole in the shallow end**

