

10. GUIDELINES FOR SWIMMING POOLS AND HOT TUBS

The main consideration in granting a swimming pool licence is the impact it may have on neighbours.

- The size of the pool must be proportionate to the size of the garden. In general swimming pools will not usually be permitted in garden smaller than 320sq. metres and should not exceed one-ninth of the total area of the rear garden.
- Pools should be sited at least 3 metres (9ft) away from adjacent boundaries and be at least 6 metres (20ft) from any neighbouring house or building.
- In general, swimming pools should be screened. A detailed landscaping plan may be required.
- The plant room servicing the swimming pool should be properly constructed in keeping with the design of the house. It should be in a soundproof enclosure, sited away from neighbouring properties.
- Similar requirements apply to hot tubs. They should be sited a minimum of 2m from the shared boundary.