

City of Knoxville Tennessee
Zoning Ordinance

Article V. Supplementary Regulations Applying to All District.

Sec. 16. Swimming pools[; tennis courts].

The following regulations shall apply to swimming pools:

- A. A private swimming pool shall be any pool or open tank having a depth of more than thirty (30) inches which is designed and built for swimming and bathing; however, this definition shall not include spas and hot tubs which are securely covered when not in use by a sturdy insulated top capable of restriction [restricting] access by children. Private swimming pools are permitted in any residential district, provided:
 - 1. The pool is intended and is to be used solely for enjoyment of the occupants of the property on which it is located and their guests.
 - 2. No swimming pool or part thereof, including aprons, walks and equipment rooms, shall protrude into any required front or side yard.
 - 3. The swimming pool area shall be so enclosed by a wall or gate fence with a self-latching gate to prevent uncontrolled access by children from the street or from adjacent properties. Said fence or wall shall not be less than five (5) feet in height, shall not have openings that would allow a four-inch diameter sphere to pass through it, and shall be maintained in good condition.

- B. A private tennis court shall be any tennis court not open to the public. Private tennis courts are permitted in any residential district, provided:
 - 1. The tennis court is intended and is used solely for the enjoyment of the occupants of the property on which it is located and their guests.
 - 2. No part of the court or its appurtenances shall protrude into any required front or side yard.

- C. A community club swimming pool not open to the public shall be any pool constructed by an association of property owners, or by a private club for use and enjoyment by members of the association or club and their guests. Community

and club swimming pools shall comply with the following conditions and requirements:

1. The pool shall be maintained in a useable condition during the swimming season, or secured from access, and provided solely for the enjoyment of the members and guests of members of the association or club under whose ownership or jurisdiction the pool is operated.
2. The pool and accessory structures thereto, including the areas used by bathers, shall be not closer than fifty (50) feet to any property line of the property on which located.
3. The swimming pool and all of the area used by the bathers shall be enclosed by a wall or fence with a self-latching gate to prevent uncontrolled access by children from the street or adjacent properties. Said fence or wall shall not have openings that would allow a four-inch diameter sphere to pass through it, shall be at least five (5) feet in height and shall be maintained in good condition. The area surrounding the enclosure, except for the parking spaces, shall be suitably landscaped with grass, hardy shrubs and trees, and maintained in good condition.

D. A community tennis club not open to the public shall be any tennis court constructed by an association of property owners, or by a private club for use by members and their guests. Community and club tennis courts shall comply with the following conditions and regulations:

1. The tennis court is intended solely for the enjoyment of the members and guests of members of the association or club under whose ownership or jurisdiction the tennis court is operated.
2. The tennis court and appurtenances shall not be closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any property line of the property on which located.

(Ord. No. O-126-78, §§ 2—4, 7-25-78; Ord. No. O-29-81, § 1, 2-17-81; Ord. No. O-211-98, § 1, 4-7-98; Ord. No. 176-06, § 1, 8-29-06)