



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

PROPOSED CHANGE OF THE CONNECTICUT STATE
BUILDING CODE AND FIRE SAFETY CODE

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CODE INFORMATION

Proposed change to: ☐ Building Code ☐ Fire Safety Code

Code section(s): _____

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2024 International Swimming Pool & Spa Code | Section 305 Barrier Requirements

CURRENT CODE

305.5 Onground Residential pool structure as a barrier.

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SUMMARY

For the pool wall of an onground pool to serve as a barrier it must meet the requirements of Section 305.2, which includes details about the site, access, clearances, etc, that are best assessed by the building inspector on site. The pool manufacturers do not make certification either way about their pool walls being used as a barrier, despite that being the common practice in the industry. This change puts the assessment of the pool wall as a compliant barrier into the hands of the building inspector to ensure compliance with all aspects of section 305.2.