

TOWN OF COCHRANE

Building Safety Codes

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Fields marked with an * are required

Homeowner Hot Tub Application

OWNER INFORMATION

Owner Name*	Phone*
Mailing Address*	Email*
City & Postal Code*	Additional Information if required:
Project Address*	
Hot Tub Permit Fee: Includes Building & Electrical \$189.00	Estimated Construction Value*

*Existing *Concealed Work*? If "Yes" see the [concealed work process](#)

APPLICANT DECLARATION I certify that I am the owner/agent submitting this application and construction will be completed in accordance with the Alberta Safety Codes Act and Regulations and will commence within **90 days**. I understand homeowner permits are to be completed within **365 days**.

I have read and understand the applicant declaration *

Applicant Name(Print)

Application Date(mm,dd,yyyy)

Please see our website for additional information regarding Hot Tub specific installations related to the Building Code and Electrical Code.

Concealed Work - Any work (electrical) that was installed without permits and is now covered by drywall

The personal information requested is collected under the Safety Codes Act, Section 63, The Municipal Government Act, Section 301.1, the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP) Section 33(c) and will be protected under Part 2 of the FOIP Act. The information is used for issuing permits, safety codes compliance verifications, monitoring and property assessment purposes. Information collected by public bodies forms part of a file that may be available to the public. Please direct any questions about this collection to: FOIP Coordinator, 2nd Floor, 101 Ranchehouse Road, 403-932-2674 or FOIP@cochrane.ca.

The Alberta Safety Codes Act requires that a permit be obtained prior to beginning construction. Failure to obtain permits may result in the applicant being charged a double fee.

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Fire Safety Plan

THIS PLAN MUST BE POSTED ONSITE AND OCCUPANTS/EMPLOYEES ARE EXPECTED TO BE TRAINED IN HOW TO FOLLOW ITS PROVISIONS

Address:

Description of Project: **Hot Tub**

Contact Personnel:

Phone #:

Specific Considerations:

- Fire extinguisher(s) will be available at all times during the progress of the construction
- Access to fire hydrants and buildings for fire apparatus must be maintained

Emergency Response Numbers: FIRE/POLICE/AMBULANCE: 9-1-1

General Considerations:

- A WARNING SYSTEM will be in place to warn of potential threats, and facilitate evacuation (yelling, ringing of a bell or horn, etc.)
- EVACUATE via the nearest exit if you are warned of a fire
- PROCEED to the main entrance (outside) and report to the Fire Department
- FIGHT the fire ONLY if it is small and you are NOT ALONE

Hazards Control:

- At the end of each day combustible refuse will be cleared from the site area and disposed of in bins or stored in neat piles. Unused construction material will be kept neat and orderly.
- No open-flame devices will be used inside buildings unless a dedicated watch is in place
- Liquid Propane Tanks or flammable liquids containers are not allowed within buildings

This Fire Safety Plan is designed in conformance with and is a requirement of Division B, Section 2.8.2 of the National Fire Code, and on signature, becomes an agreement between the building owner/contractor and the Town of Cochrane Fire department.

I have read and understand the above

Building Owner/Contractor Name:

Date:

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Hot Tubs

A hot tub requires a building permit because they are defined under the National Building Code (2019) AB Edition as *private swimming pools* (Article 7.2). Below are the specific conditions that will need to be met after the permit has been issued

Alberta Building Code – Specific Conditions

- 1) A yard/area that contains a hot tub does not require special fencing/security requirements provided that:
 - a) the hot tub does not exceed 2.4 m (8 ft.), across the widest portion of the water's surface,
 - b) has the structural strength to support the weight of an adult walking across the top of it when it is in the closed position,
 - c) is provided with a lockable device to prevent access to the water by unauthorized persons, and
 - d) the cover is in place and locked at all times the hot tub is unsupervised.
- 2) If the hot tub is not protected by the above-noted requirements, the entire area of a hot tub/yard is to be protected by a fence, building wall or enclosure that can prevent access by unauthorized persons and its height above the outside ground level is not to be less than 1.8 m (6'- 0").
- 3) An opening for access through the fence around a yard containing a hot tub is to be protected by a gate that is the same height as the fence, equipped with a self-closing device, and a self-latching device on the inside of the gate located not less than 1.5 m (5'- 0") above the ground level, and is capable of being locked.
- 4) The fence and gate are to be constructed so that all horizontal and diagonal members are located on the swimming pool side.
- 5) Barbed wire shall not be used on or for a fence or gate around a swimming pool or a private swimming pool or hot tub.
- 6) No device is to be installed on or adjacent to a fence or gate around a swimming pool, or hot tub, that could cause an electric current to pass through the fence or gate.

****If you plan on placing the hot tub on a deck, we will require all loading calculations to be submitted to a Safety Codes Officer for review, without proper calculations an engineer's report will be required to determine whether the deck can support the load of the hot tub****

****If you have any questions please contact 403-851-2572 or email**

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