# **Queensland Pool Owners**

# To be pool safe what are your legal requirements?

As legislated by the State Government from December 2015, all property owners are responsible for ensuring their pool fences meet the pool safety standard as set out in Chapter 8 of the *Building Act 1975*.

## **Safety Checklist for Pool Owners**

The pool safety laws require pool owners to maintain a compliant pool fence around their swimming pool regardless of when the pool was installed. Please ensure you meet these requirements by following these simple steps:



Register your pool on the State Pool Safety Register.



Ensure your pool barrier meets all requirements. See *QDC MP3.4*- Swimming Pool Barriers



Get a Pool Safety Certificate when you are selling or leasing your property.

Remember... these preventative measures and adult supervision work together to save lives.

## **Pool Barrier Code Requirements Summary**

For further details about these pool safety laws and how they are applied, go to the QBCC website or call 13 93 33.

### Spas & Inflatable pools

A pool or spa requires fencing if it:

- ✓ Can be filled over 300mm high.
- ✓ Has a volume of > 2,000 litres.
- ✓ Has a filtration system.

## Signage

✓ A compliant CPR sign must be prominently displayed in the pool area.

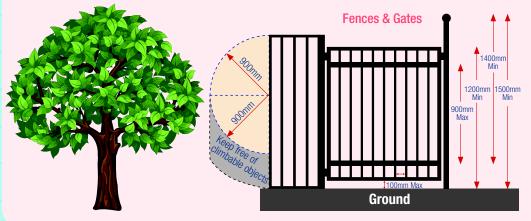


### **Doors & Windows**



Doors:

- ✗ No direct access to pool area.
  Windows:
- Must not open more than 100mm or have a security screen fitted.



- Gates must:
- Open outwards from pool area.
- ✓ Self-close and latch.
- Fences must:
- ✓ Be clear of climbable objects.