

## Checklist: Before You Begin Your Outdoor Swimming Pool Project

## DO

- ☑ Pre-Project: Hire a NYS licensed Professional Engineer (PE) or Registered Architect (RA) to ensure your project is Code and zoning compliant.
- Site Survey: Hire a licensed Surveyor to provide a site survey showing all existing conditions.
- ☑ Boring and Soil Percolation Test: Hire a licensed professional to perform the work, if required (for private on site disposal of drainage).
- ☑ Project Plans: Only a Registered Design Professional can submit construction documents, including drawings and other submissions, to the Department for approval.
- ☑ Project Work: Hire a licensed Contractor to perform the work. In addition to General Contractor, swimming pool installation may require additional trades and permits for plumbing and electrical work.
- ✓ **Post Permit:** Ensure permit is posted in a conspicuous place at the work site for the duration of the work.
- ✓ Provide Contact Information: Per DOB NOW, Owners must also provide their email address to the Department for correspondence, during submission, permit, inspections and final sign-off of the project.
- Work Completion: Ensure the Contractor has completed Department inspections and obtained a sign-off to close out the completed work filed under the project permit, prior to sign-off.

## **DON'T**

Work Without a Permit: Do not begin work without a DOB permit. Even if the application for work has been approved, Property Owners and the people performing work without a permit may receive orders to stop on-site work, ECB violations with monetary and criminal penalties including court appearances, and civil penalties.

NOTE: The Owner of the building/property is ultimately responsible for the project, and their signature/consent is required for submission of the project application by their design professional, and Department approval.