



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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PORTABLE SPA / HOT TUB INSTALLATION GUIDE

FOR ONE-TO-TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

A permit is required to install a new spa or a hot tub installation. Permit shall be obtained prior to the start of the work.

One electronic set of plans, digitally signed by the designer/architect, contractor, or homeowner responsible for preparing the plans. All plans submitted (*at minimum, include existing and new floor plans*) shall be a minimum plan size of 11" x 17" and **must be legible** to facilitate digital imaging as a permanent record after the project is completed.

Exterior modifications to buildings require Planning review and approval prior to submittal to the Building Division.

If the property is overseen by a Homeowners Association a letter of authorization signed by the HOA is required.

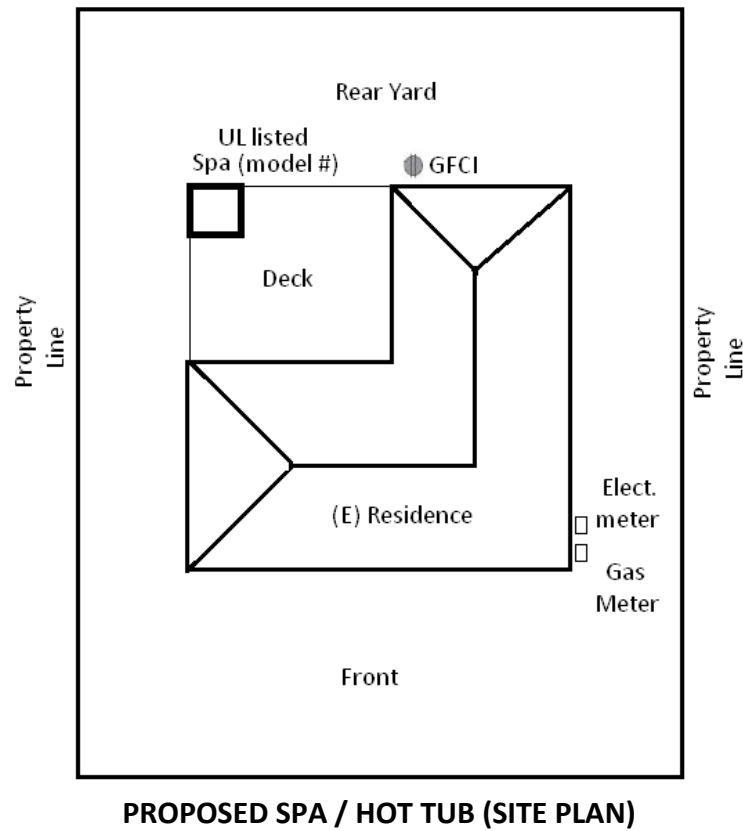
The following is a listing of the general code requirements based on the **2022** California Codes & Mountain View City Code. This handout is intended to provide general information. If you have questions, please contact the Building Division at (650) 903-6313 or email us at building@mountainview.gov.

BASIC CODE REQUIREMENTS

1. The spa shall be equipped with an approved locking safety cover or otherwise comply with Assembly Bill No. 2114 (2011-2012), Swimming Pool Safety.
2. The spa shall be equipped with an approved anti-entrapment device in order to comply with Assembly Bill No. 2114 (2011-2012), Swimming Pool Safety.
3. The spa/hot tub shall be installed in compliance with the manufacturer's installation requirements (CRC R106.1.2). Specifications are required as part of the permit submittal package.
4. The spa/hot tub shall be UL listed and approved (CRC R102.4).
5. Equipment of the spa / hot tub must be set back 3 feet from any structure or property line.
6. Spa / hot tub shall be located at least 5 feet from any structure or property line.
7. Exterior electrical receptacles installed shall be GFCI protected and in a waterproof enclosure (CEC 210.8(A) & 406.9(B)(1)).
8. Outdoor installation spa/hot tubs shall be in compliance with the CEC 680.42.
9. Indoor installation spa/hot tubs shall be in compliance with the CEC 680.43.
10. Per the Mountain View City Code SEC. 8.51(C) a minimum of 200 amps service disconnect shall be required for one family dwelling and SEC. 8.51(D) a minimum of 125 amps service disconnect shall be required for other than one family dwelling. Provide load calculations for all existing loads and the new spa/hot tub to justify the service is adequate (CEC 220).
11. If water supply inlets to a spa, provide protection by one of the following means (CPC 603.5.5 & 603.5.20):
 - An approved air gap.
 - A listed vacuum breaker installed on the discharge side, or
 - A backflow preventer.
12. If pipes carry wastewater from spas, they shall be installed as an indirect waste (CPC 813.1).
13. Provide a site plan showing electrical service (locations & size) and gas meter locations.
14. Noise generated by the spa/hot tub must meet the noise level standards of Mountain View Municipal Code Ordinance SEC. 21.26: Noise shall not exceed 50 dBA during the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. and 55 dBA during 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. measured at any location on any receiving residentially used property.

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15. If the location of the spa is near windows/glass doors, verify compliance with CRC R308.4.5 Glazing and wet surfaces.



OTHER RELATED HANDOUTS

- Smoke Detector & Carbon Monoxide requirements
- GFCI & AFCI requirements
- Self-Certification – Plumbing Fixtures
- Self-Certification - Smoke & Carbon Detectors