



# ISPSC

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## INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE

### The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC)

Requires pool fences to be a minimum of 48 inches high with a self-closing, self-latching gate that opens away from the pool. The code specifies a maximum 4-inch sphere can pass through any opening and sets strict rules for vertical clearance, with gaps between the bottom of the fence and the ground or solid surfaces being no more than 2 to 4 inches, depending on the surface type.



#### Key ISPSC Requirements:

- **Height:** Minimum of 48 inches, though some local jurisdictions may require 60 inches.
- **Gate:**
  - Must be self-closing and self-latching.
  - Must open away from the pool.
  - Latch release must be located at least 54 inches above the ground.
- **Openings:** No opening in the barrier should allow a 4-inch sphere to pass through.
- **Vertical Clearance:**
  - The gap between the bottom of the fence and the ground should not exceed 4 inches.
  - For soft surfaces like grass, the gap should not exceed 2 inches.
- **Horizontal Members:** If horizontal members are less than 45 inches apart, the distance between vertical members cannot exceed 1.75 inches.
- **Construction Fencing:** A temporary fence of at least 4 feet high is required during construction, from the start of excavation until the permanent barrier is complete.

#### At R & S Fence and Railing Supply...

We specialize in designing and installing ISPSC compliant pool fences that meet every height, gate, opening and clearance requirement. Our team ensures your setup passes inspection the first time while giving you unbeatable peace of mind.