



## RESIDENTIAL SPA PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

1. Completion of the attached Cook County Department of Public Health form is required.
2. **Manufacturers' Drawings and Specifications:**
  - a. Seven (7) complete sets must be submitted to and **approved** by the **Cook County Public Health Department** after which, **four sets will then be submitted to the Department of Building and Zoning.**
  - b. The seven (7) sets of manufacturers' specifications for the spa should include information on the following:
    1. Means of filtering the spa water.
    2. Means of disinfecting the spa water.
    3. Type of materials and finish for the spa shell.
  - c. For outdoor spas the plot plan must show the following:
    1. Location of septic tank and seepage field (if applicable).
    2. Location of house, garage, fence, gates and other structures.
    3. Location of overhead and underground electric utility lines.
    4. Location of proposed spa, including distances to the lot lines.
3. Plans (all items mentioned above) **must be submitted for prior approval to: Cook County Public Health Department**, 1010 Lake Street, Suite 300, Oak Park, IL 60301 (708) 492-2000
4. After approval by the Cook County Public Health Department, permit application and plans **will be submitted to the Cook County Department of Building and Zoning for approval.** The Electrical and Plumbing Department must also review and approve.  
**Cook County Building Department Spa Permit Requirements**
  - Any spa 18 inches or more in depth must comply.
  - Spa and equipment must be more than ten feet from a property line.
  - Spa must be constructed of concrete, steel or other approved material.
  - Spa must have impervious surface.
  - Spa must be enclosed on all four side with minimum four foot high non-climable fence or other approved means to prohibit unauthorized access.
  - All gates in fence must be self-latching with latch at least four feet above grade.
  - Ladders or steps must be at least three inches wide with handrails.
5. Submit a minimum deposit of 1% of the total estimated cost of work or a check in the amount of \$25 (whichever is greater) made payable to Cook County Collector.