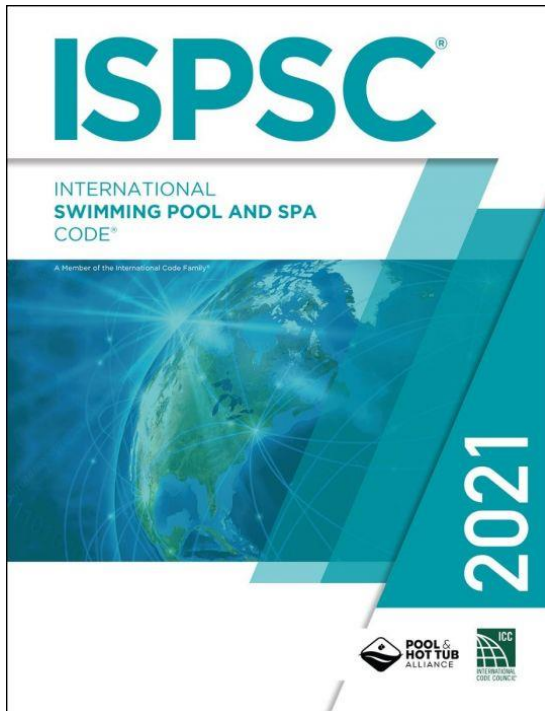


# 2021 INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL & SPA CODE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES



The City of McKinney is planning to change from the 2018 to the 2021 Edition of the International Swimming Pool & Spa Code (ISPSC) January 1, 2023. The following are significant changes to the ISPSC and its proposed amendments. The full text of the code is available through [ICC](#), and the proposed amendments are available through the North Central Texas Council of Governments ([NCTCOG](#)).

- **202 – Definition - Chemical Storage Space**
  - **Addition:** A space in an aquatic facility used for the storage of pool or spa chemicals such as acids, salt, or corrosive or oxidizing chemicals.
  
- **305.1.1 – Construction Fencing Required**
  - **Addition:** The construction site for in-ground pools and spas shall be provided with construction fencing to surround the site from the time any excavation occurs to the time that the permanent barrier is completed. The fence shall be not less than 4 feet in height.
  
- **305.3.3 – Latch release**
  - **Modification:** Where door and gate latch release mechanisms are accessed from the outside of the barrier and are not of the self-locking type, such mechanism shall be located above the finished floor or ground surface in accordance with the following:
    - At public pools and spas, not less than 52 inches and not greater than 54 inches.
    - At residential pools and spas, not less than 54 inches.

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- Where door and gate latch release mechanisms are of the self-locking type such as where the lock is operated by means of a key, an electronic opener or the entry of a combination into an integral combination lock, the lock operation control and the latch release mechanism shall be located above the finished floor or ground surface in accordance with the following:
  - At public pools and spas, not less than 34 inches and not greater than 48 inches.
  - At residential pools and spas, at not greater than 54 inches.
  
- **324 – Equipment Rooms**
  - **Addition:** New section lays out detailed requirements for equipment rooms for public pools, spas, and aquatic recreation facilities. New requirements include room size, egress, lighting, floor finish, ventilation, electrical standards, door hardware, and signage. The code also includes details regarding chemical storage.
  
- **325.1 – Indoor air quality**
  - **Addition:** Indoor public pool and spa air-handling system design, construction and installation shall comply with the International Mechanical Code or ASHRAE 62.1.