



Although this checklist is to help you with checking your fence prior to a Pool Safety Solutions Inspector attending your property, careful adult supervision is the Number One method of preventing pool drownings. Please consider the following:

- Always supervise swimmers irrespective of age and never swim alone! Always with a buddy!
- During parties always assign a 'designated adult'. Someone needs to be responsible!

## GATE

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Does the gate open away from the pool?  |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the gate latch 1500mm from the ground?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | When closed, is it secure and does not pull free? Even when a child bounces on the bottom rail? |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Does the gate self close from any position?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the gap between the gate and fence less than 10mm?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Does gate close from resting on strike plate?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Are the hinges 900mm apart? Or non-climbable?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the gap between the gate and the ground less than 100mm?                                     |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Have you considered the dangers of propping open the gate?                                      |

## FENCE

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Are all fence panels there?  |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Are all all fixings tight and secure?                                    |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the gap between the fence and the ground less than 100mm?             |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Are there no gaps greater than 100mm in fence?                           |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is there no direct door/window access to pool?                           |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is fence height 1200mm high or higher?                                   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the fence free of sharp hazards and edges?                            |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is the distance between climbable horizontal rails greater than 900mm?   |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | When squeezing vertical bars, is the gap on either side less than 100mm? |

## AROUND THE FENCE

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Have trees near the fence been trimmed so that children can't use them to climb?        |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is there a clear 300mm on inside of fence and clear 1200mm on the outside of the fence? |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Are climbable items removed from near the fence?  |
| YES<br><input type="checkbox"/> | NO<br><input type="checkbox"/> | Is there a 900mm clear zone where the pool fence intersects another fence?              |

**DISCLAIMER**

This checklist is for educational purposes only. It in no way is a substitute for having a licensed pool safety inspector check your pool. These can be found at <https://www.qbcc.qld.gov.au/pool-checklist/> which needs to be interpreted in conjunction with AS 192.