

The Borough of Saint-Laurent has adopted regulations to guide the installation of hot tubs (spas) in order to ensure that this type of equipment provides safe conditions to its users.

A certificate of authorization from the Borough is required prior to constructing, installing or removing a hot tub (spa).

Process

To submit a request for an authorization certificate, the form, "Application for a certificate of authorization for an above-ground or an inground swimming pool or a hot tub (spa)", must be filled in and attached to the required documents. These documents must be submitted to the Division des permis et des inspections, located at 777, boulevard Marcel-Laurin.

Costs

Fees are required to process a request.

Location

Hot tubs are permitted at the following locations:

- Secondary front yard in the case of a corner lot (*figure 1*)
- Side yard
- Rear yard (*figure 2*)
- The terrace of a building, only if designed to support the weight of a hot tub (spa)

Additional provisions

- The spa may also be installed on the building terrace, patio or deck, provided that it is designed to support the weight of the water-filled spa.
- The hot tub (spa) must not be located in front of a door, nor obstruct a window.
- The minimum distance between the outer wall of the spa and any property line is 1 metre.
- The installation of a hot tub (spa) below an electrical wire or line is prohibited.

Characteristics

- The maximum capacity of a hot tub (spa) is 2000 litres.
- When not used, the spa must be inaccessible by means of the installation of a manufactured hard cover that meets the ASTM standard for manual and locked security or, failing that, by means of a space bounded by a fence built according to the requirements stipulated in the Zoning Bylaw.

The filling of a private swimming pool is prohibited between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. However, it is allowed to use water from the water main during the installation of a new swimming pool to maintain the shape of the structure. Despite the prohibition, the filling of a swimming pool is authorized at all times between April 1st and May 15th.

Figure 1: Location of a hot tub (spa) on a corner lot.

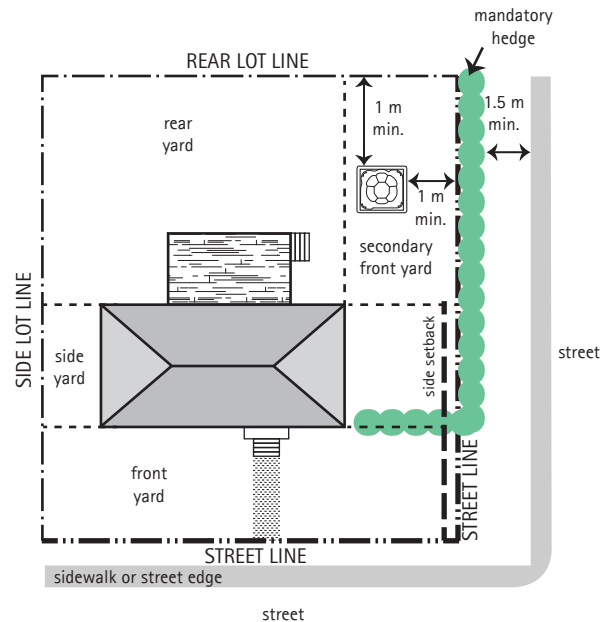
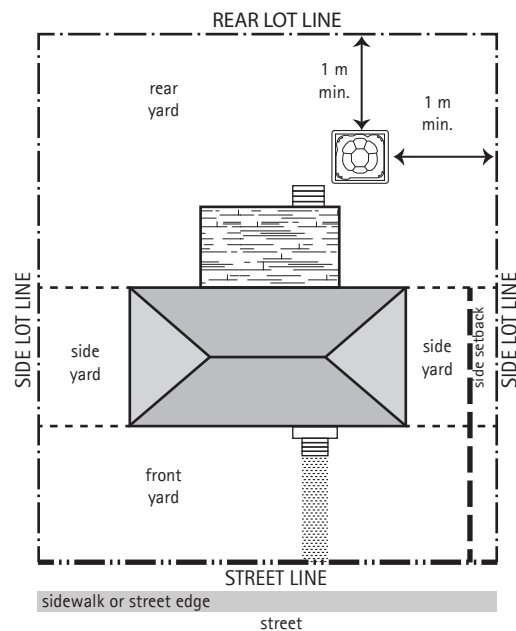


Figure 2: Location of a hot tub (spa) in a rear yard



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Legal framework: Règlement sur le zonage n° RCA08-08-0001

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