



GLEN EIRA  
CITY COUNCIL

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## New safety laws for swimming pool and spa owners

The Victorian Government has introduced new requirements to improve swimming pool and spa safety, incorporating new inspection, maintenance and compliance requirements for property owners.

As part of these changes, Glen Eira residents will be required to register their swimming pool and/or spa with Glen Eira City Council.

Glen Eira Mayor Cr Margaret Esakoff said the new laws have been introduced to keep young children safe.

“According to the Victorian Building Authority, since 2000, 27 young children have drowned in private swimming pools and spas. In at least 20 of those cases, the non-compliance of the safety barrier was a contributing factor,” Cr Esakoff said.

### What you’ll need to do

- Register your pool or outdoor spa online via Council’s website [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au) and pay the registration fee.
- Hire a registered building/pool inspector to do an inspection of your pool/spa.
- Following the inspection, you will need to submit a Certificate of Compliance for your pool/spa to Glen Eira City Council along with the appropriate fee.

Existing pool and spa owners have until 1 June 2020 to register with Council, and compliance certificates need to be lodged in line with the below timeframes:

- Pool/spa construction on or before 30 June 1994: Compliance Certificate must be lodged by 1 June 2021.
- Pool/spa construction from 1 June 1994 until 30 April 2010: Compliance Certificate must be lodged by 1 June 2022.
- Pool/spa construction from 1 May 2010 until 31 May 2020: Compliance Certificate must be lodged by 1 June 2023.

For further information, visit [www.vba.vic.gov.au/consumers/swimming-pools](http://www.vba.vic.gov.au/consumers/swimming-pools)

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