Minister’s Specification

SA 76D
Swimming Pool Safety—new prescribed requirements for upgrading prescribed swimming pools

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SCOPE

This Minister’s Specification relates to any *prescribed swimming pool*, as defined in section 71AA of the Development Act 1993.

This Minister’s Specification must be read in conjunction with section 71AA of the Development Act 1993 and regulation 76D of the Development Regulations 2008.

INTERPRETATION

*child-resistant doorset* has the same meaning as the definition in AS 1926.1.

*new prescribed requirements* has the same meaning as the definition in section 71AA of the Development Act 1993.

*prescribed swimming pool* has the same meaning as the definition in section 71AA of the Development Act 1993.

*swimming pool* has the same meaning as the definition in section 71AA of the Development Act 1993.

REFERENCED STANDARDS

Table 1: Schedule of Referenced Standards

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1.0 Application

This Minister’s Specification sets out the *new prescribed requirements* for the purpose of regulation 76D(1)(a) of the Development Regulations 2008.
2.0 New prescribed requirements

(a) Subject to (b), a *prescribed swimming pool* complies with the *new prescribed requirements* if it has safety barriers installed in accordance with AS 1926 Parts 1 and 2.

(b) A *child-resistant doorset* must not be used in a barrier for an outdoor *swimming pool*, except in situations specified in 3.0.

3.0 Situations where a child-resistant doorset can form part of a barrier for an outdoor swimming pool

3.1 In-ground swimming pools

*Child-resistant doorset* can only be used to form part of a barrier for an outdoor *swimming pool* if the distance from the nearest part of the *swimming pool* to the door is less than 1.8 metres (Figure 1).

![Figure 1](image-url) In-ground swimming pools (including spa pools)
3.2 Aboveground swimming pools

A child-resistant doorset can only be used to form part of a barrier for an outdoor swimming pool if the distance from the nearest part of the swimming pool to the door, after the swimming pool has been re-positioned as far as possible away from the door, is less than 1.8 metres (Figure 2).

![Diagram of swimming pool and door]

Can the swimming pool be re-positioned further from the door?

\[ x = \text{least distance from nearest part of swimming pool to a door opening, after the swimming pool has been re-positioned as far as possible from the door} \]

A child-resistant doorset is permitted only where \( x \) is less than 1.8 metres

**Figure 2** Aboveground swimming pools (including spa pools)