

# LAYERS of PROTECTION

Here's a look at many of the safety precautions available for today's swimming pools. Of course, the best precaution of all is adult supervision.

## CONSUMER HANDOUT

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### 1 Safety fencing

Keeps children and pets away from the pool when no one's there. Fencing comes in an array of styles and can be permanent or temporary.

### 2 Automatic cover

All residential pools should have some sort of qualified safety cover to keep water and chemicals in — and youngsters and pets out.

### 3 Dual main drains

Pools designed with two main drains eliminate single-source suction and the entrapment problems they can cause.

### 4 Anti-entrapment covers

All drains should have some sort of cover specially designed to prevent hair snares and discourage children from sitting on them.

### 5 Door/window exit alarms

Alarms sound when a house door or window is opened, signaling that a child may be headed for the pool.

### 6 Self-closing gates/latches

Especially good for forgetful family members and service technicians, these fence doors will automatically spring back and lock in place.

### 7 Gate alarm

If the gate is somehow breached, an alarm sounds within the house, warning parents of potential trouble.

### 8 Wireless motion detector

These alarms use sonar, lasers and other technologies. If someone approaches the pool and crosses its invisible barrier, an alarm sounds.

### 9 Surface pool alarm

These monitor the pool water's surface. If something falls in and creates a disturbance, an alarm sounds.

### 10 Camera/monitor

Cameras are placed around the pool so that parents inside the house can observe the area.

### 11 Emergency equipment

Lifelines, life rings and shepherd's hooks are standard lifesaving equipment at every public pool. There's no reason not to have the same protection for a backyard pool.

### 12 Telephone

Having a phone installed nearby makes calling "911" much easier if a problem should arise.

### 13 Emergency info

It's a good idea to post pool rules and a list of emergency numbers.

### 14 SVRS

Safety vacuum release systems sense a buildup of vacuum in the circulation system and shut down when it gets too high in order to prevent suction entrapment.

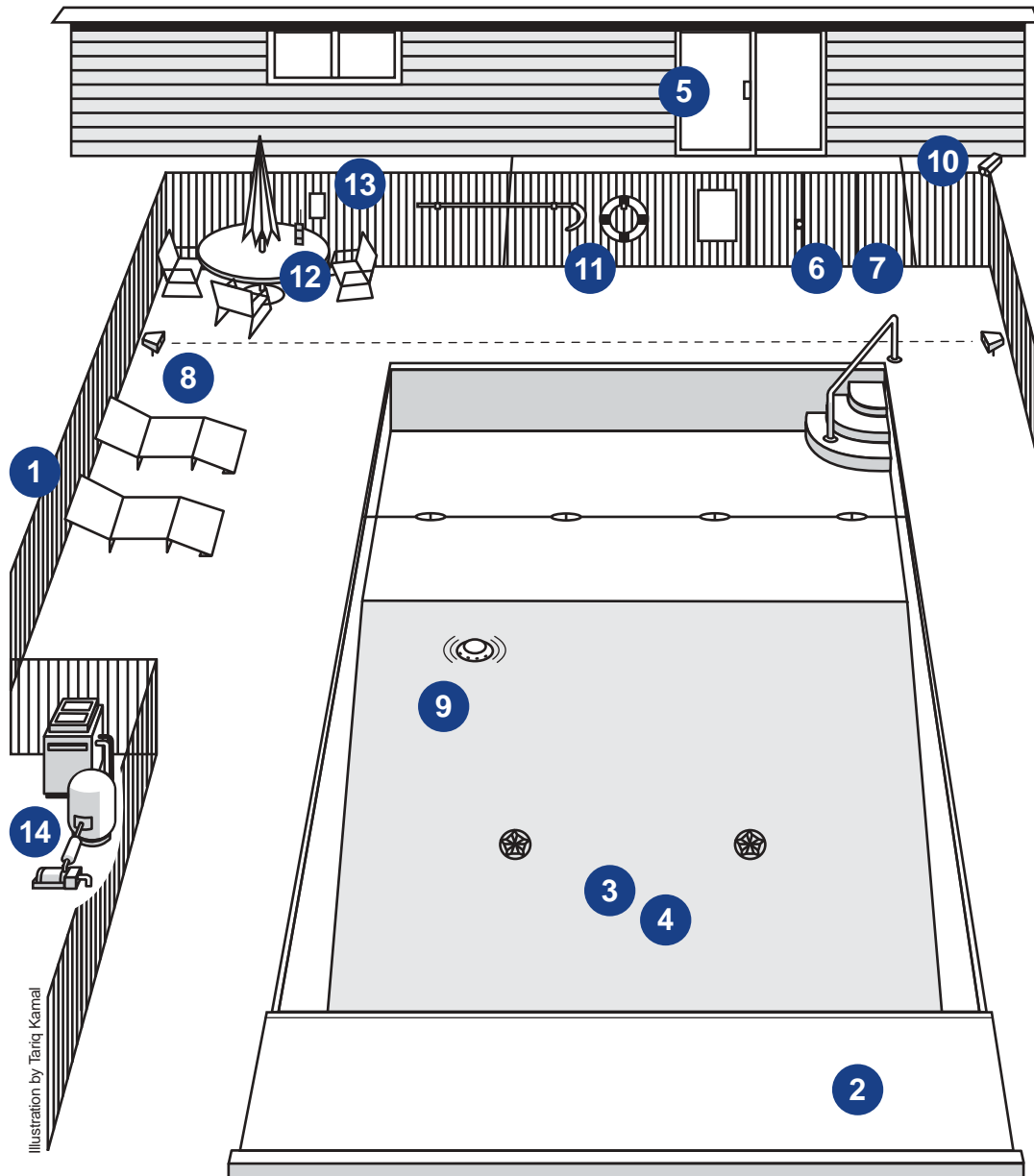


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