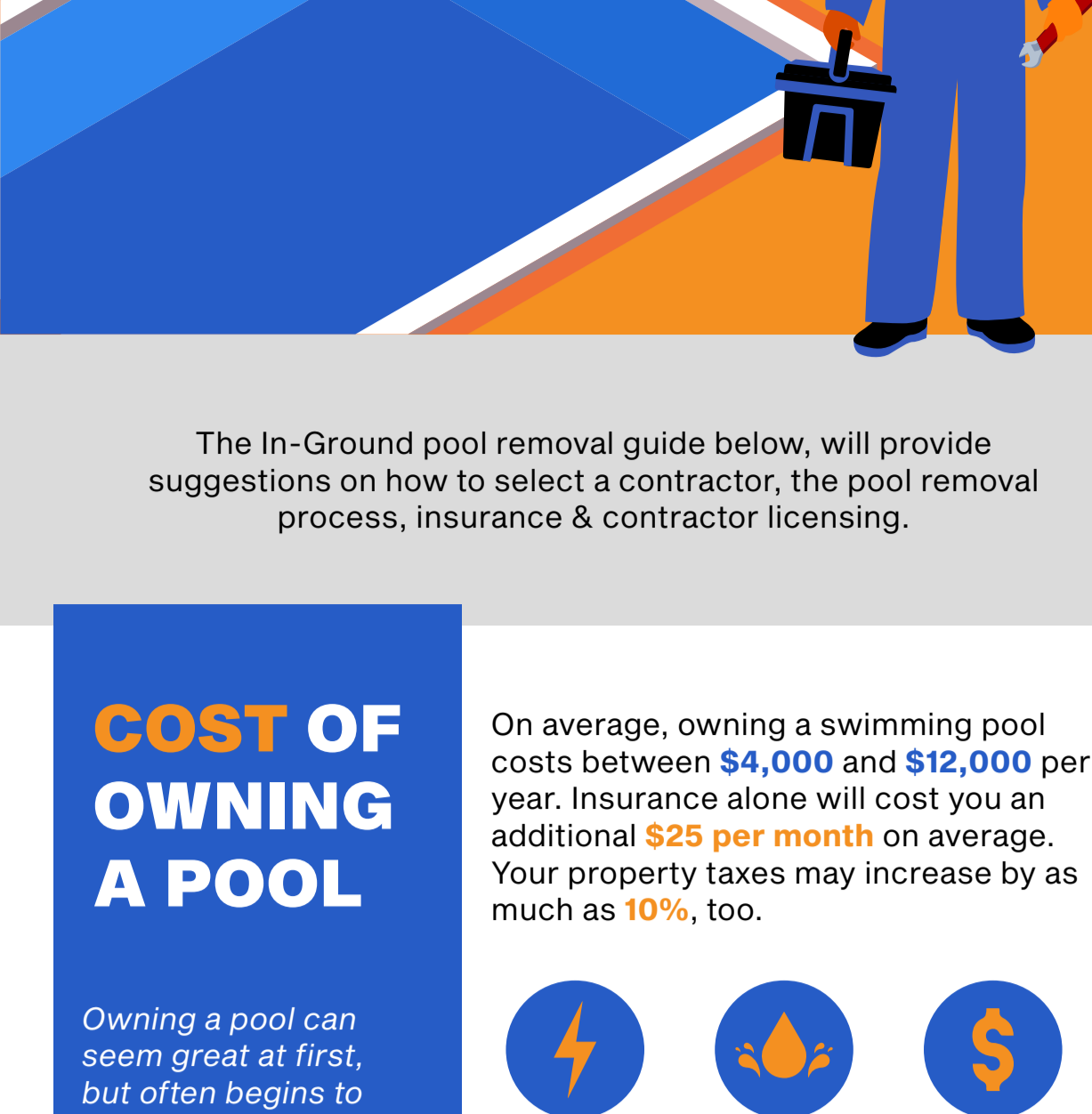


# IN-GROUND POOL

## REMOVAL GUIDE



The In-Ground pool removal guide below, will provide suggestions on how to select a contractor, the pool removal process, insurance & contractor licensing.

### COST OF OWNING A POOL

Owning a pool can seem great at first, but often begins to feel like more of a burden than a benefit.

Especially if it is not used frequently and costs a lot to maintain.vvvvv



Electricity Bill



Water Bill



Maintenance cost

**Pool maintenance** can cost between **\$80 and \$150 per month**, depending on the size of the pool and where you live. That adds up to as much as **\$1,800 per year** in maintenance costs.

Great you have decided to remove your In-Ground pool.

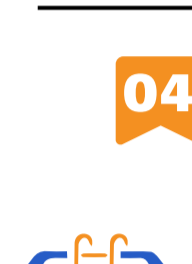
## TIPS ON SELECTING A CONTRACTOR

### 01 Contractor Abilities & Performance



Your In-Ground pool removal project, depends on professionalism. Work to select the professional contractor you need. You want your pool removal project completed in a prompt, precise and professional manner. Check out their ability and get what you want. You want to do all you can and make the best decision for you.

### 02 Find In-Ground Pool Removal Contractors



Where can you find professional contractors? You can go to the Internet and search. You can go to the local pool and equipment supply house. Here the suppliers often provide a contractor board, where we can post our business cards. You can speak to the people at counter sales. Ask the people at the counter for recommendations.

### 03 No Response Contractors



With 10 – 12 contractor candidates, it's time to make some calls for a site inspection. Some contractors will not respond. No response is okay, you want to get down to 3 – 6 solid estimates. Some contractors are busy, less professional or are not interested. Either way, that's okay, you have a list. Your goal is to gather 3 – 6 well written In-Ground pool removal estimates.

### 04 Site Inspection



Your contractor candidate will now visit your home to discover your unique site conditions. Remember it's your money. Spend your money with the contractor who provides the best service. Best service includes follow up phone calls, on time site inspection arrivals, communication update (phone, text & email) and overall presentation of the company and the person.

### 05 Peace Of Mind



Find the contractor who provides you with the peace of mind you deserve. The contractor, who is the active listener, takes notes and answers your questions, is a must have. At the conclusion of your site inspection, ask for a specific date for your estimate. Make sure you ask the contractor to include a copy of their contractor license and insurance.

### 06 Estimate Presentation



With the work you completed, you should have 3 – 6 In-Ground pool removal estimates. Now evaluate and compare each estimate. Make sure the steps or results you want are outlined. I prefer a line item for each step of the remodeling project. Make sure, the contractor has a clear description of the scope of work. Estimates that are unclear and lack detail, get tossed immediately.

### 07 Contractor Selection Decision



You are ready to make your pool removal contractor decision. By completing the work above, you can be sure to make a great decision. As the homeowner, you provided information of your expectations, you met with professionals, you received well written estimates with a fixed price, you have a copy of the license, insurance, references and photos. You can now select the contractor, who meets your criteria. Your time is now! Select the professional for your In-Ground pool removal project with confidence.

## The following TYPES OF INSURANCE

are worth knowing when considering to remove your In-Ground pool

### Contractors Pollution Insurance (CPL)



Commercial General Liability Insurance

Workers Compensation Insurance

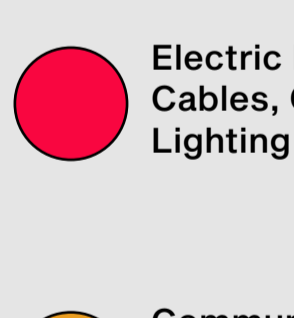
Builders Risk Insurance

Automobile Liability Insurance



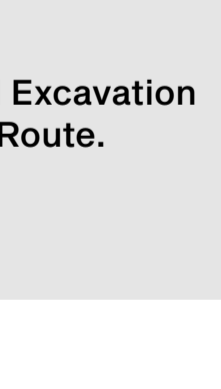
## HOW TO CHECK ON INSURANCE

Get a copy of the home remodeling contractor's insurance policy. If you like the contractor, don't be shy, call the agent listed on the policy. Confirm the insurance policy is up to date.



A certificate of insurance is a document used to provide information on specific insurance coverage.

Virginia "Residential building contractors" (Abbr: RBC) means those individuals whose contracts include construction, remodeling, repair, improvement, removal, or demolition on real property owned, controlled, or leased by another person of dwellings and townhouses, as defined in the USBC, including accessory buildings or structures on such property.



## POOL REMOVAL PROCESS

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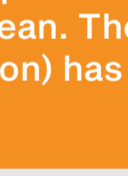
Detailed Written Estimates with a Fixed Price.



Copy of Active Contractor License.

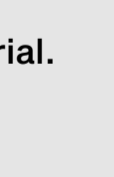
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03



Copy of Up To Date Contractor Insurance.

04



References & Project Photos.

## ALWAYS CONTACT MS. UTILITY / 811

What is Ms. Utility? Miss Utility is the organization that coordinates the marking of utility lines. The marking of utility lines is a FREE Service. This service is provided to prevent utility line damage by excavation or demolition work. The lines are marked with colored paint. Each utility line has an assigned paint color. It is important to understand what these marks mean. The APWA (American Public Works Association) has a uniform color code:

Electric Power Lines, Cables, Conduit, and Lighting Cables.

Gas, Oil, Steam, Petroleum, or Gaseous Material.

Communication, Alarm or Signal Lines, Cables, or Conduit.

Potable Water.

Sewers and Drain Lines.

Proposed Excavation Limits or Route.

## PROJECT PROCEDURE

### 01 PROCESS

The process outlined below illustrates the initial pool removal start.

1

Mobilize to the site.

2

Remove a section of fence for access on back side of the home.

3

Disconnect swimming pool electrical and or gas appliances.

4

Remove the swimming pool pump, pool mechanical equipment and pool heater.

5

Pump water out of the existing pool.

6

Provide concrete demolition to the very bottom of the existing pool for drainage and water flow.

7

Invite your local inspector to the job site for your Backfill Pre-Inspection approval.

8

Actual Pool Demolition.

- ✓ Demo existing concrete sidewalk surrounding the pool.
- ✓ Place demoed concrete sidewalk into existing pool opening.
- ✓ Demo concrete pool perimeter edge a minimum of 36 inches below top of coping/grade.
- ✓ Place demoed concrete edge material into existing pool area.
- ✓ Install geotextile fabric (stabilization sheet) for soil stabilization.
- ✓ Haul off pool pump, water filter system and other pool items.

### 02 BACKFILL POOL

- ✓ Provide for clean backfill and track material into remaining pool area.
- ✓ Tamp the backfill material every 10" – 12" material layer/lifts (placement of backfill material).

### 03 FINAL GRADING & CLEAN UP

- ✓ Rough grade the entire pool removal project and disturbed project areas.
- ✓ Grade and level the pool removal project area to a uniform depth.
- ✓ Provide best possible drainage with existing grades (existing landscaping elevations).
- ✓ Sculpt and smooth out the land area for enhanced beauty.
- ✓ Aerate the top layer of the soil area (allows of seed germination).
- ✓ Apply seed and straw mat for new grass lawn or install grass sod (usually a more expensive option).
- ✓ Re-install existing fence.
- ✓ Pick up and haul away all project debris.
- ✓ Provide for final walk about and inspection.
- ✓ Collect any remaining project debris for a completed and great looking project.