

## CODE WORD

This procedure is used to clarify provisions of the Harris County Fire Code. It's sole intent is to clarify what is acceptable practice.

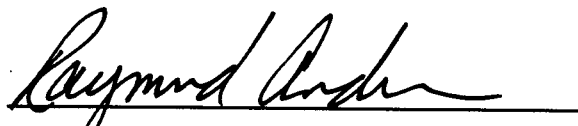
**Issue Date:** November 1, 2005

**Subject:** *Swimming Pool Enclosure - Emergency Egress*

**Section of Regulation:** Section 1014, IFC 2003

**Question:** Is it a requirement to have an exit gate in the fence enclosure of a public swimming pool?

**Answer:** Public swimming pools with an occupant load of more than 50 people, and having the only path of egress from the fence enclosure travel through the pool building, will be required to install a self-closing, self-latching gate in the fence enclosure.



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