



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

### 2023 Florida Building Code Stats

Total Proposals Submitted:	133
Total Proposals Approved:	82
FSPA Proposals Submitted:	43
FSPA Proposals Approved:	35
FSPA Proposal Approval Rate:	82%

**Modification:** 10187

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Slide Landing Area Colors

**Summary:** Exempts slide landing areas from color requirements to allow for the use of commercially available padding.

**Modification:** 10206

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Deck Obstructions

**Summary:** Simplifies deck obstruction determination. Allows any one obstruction to be up to 20 ft.

**Modification:** 10237

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Equipment Testing Standards

**Summary:** Updates testing standards to current NSF-50 standard.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10241

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** UV Sanitization

**Summary:** Deletes dead links from the code. Simplifies UV equipment compliance to meet NSF 50 Standard.

**Modification:** 10305

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** NTU Monitoring Water Slides

**Summary:** Updates requirements for turbidity monitoring on waterslide systems. Moves water quality language to 64E-9.

**Modification:** 10306

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** No Entry Markers

**Summary:** Shortens no entry markers from “No Entry, Shallow Water” to “No Entry”. Specifies that “NO DIVING” markers are not required in zero entry areas.

**Modification:** 10314

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Construction Tolerances

**Summary:** Creates construction tolerances for the commercial swimming pool of up to 3 inches or 5% of a specified dimension whichever is less. Does not apply where a tolerance is already specified to the dimensional requirements of accessibility features.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10315

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Slip resistant tile

**Summary:** Changes the requirement for using slip resistant tile to depths of 3 ft or less from the current requirement of depths of 5 ft or less.

**Modification:** 10323

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Damp-proofing of Elevated Pools and Secondary Containment

**Summary:** Adds the requirement that elevated pools incorporate water proofing and secondary containment to capture and redirect water leaks.

**Modification:** 10211

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Restroom Fixture Counts

**Summary:** Creates a more gradual increase in required restroom fixture count for commercial swimming pools.

**Modification:** 10310

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Underwater Lighting Requirements

**Summary:** Specifies that underwater lighting less than the illumination for night swimming can be used at pools where night swimming is prohibited.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10320

**Proponent:** FSPA / Alternate language by Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Collector Tank Vents

**Summary:** Add requirement that collector tank piped vents must be equipped with a “vent cap assembly” and that the vent opening must be set above the static water surface elevation.

**Modification:** 10181

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Pool Sizing

**Summary:** Simplifies commercial swimming pool sizing. Transient facilities 6 sq ft and 1 gpm per living unit. Non-transient facilities 4.5 sq ft and .75 gpm per living unit. Posted bathing load is calculated based on one person per 5 gpm of final constructed pool.

**Modification:** 10183

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Pool Colors

**Summary:** Deletes color requirements from the pool structure section of the building code. Color is addressed in a separate section.

**Modification:** 10188

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Means of Access

**Summary:** Allows lap pools with eight or more lanes to place means of access every 90 ft. instead of every 75 ft. Prevents means of access from interfering with starting blocks.



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**Modification:** 10192

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Sunshelf Handrail Placement

**Summary:** Specifies that where stairs are set in to a sunshelf that handrails shall be placed adjacent to the sun shelf.

**Modification:** 10199

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Sunshelf Depth Markers

**Summary:** Makes sunshelf depth marker placement consistent with the rest of the code and specifies at least two makers per sunshelf.

**Modification:** 10209

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Removable Wall and Floor Padding

**Summary:** Adds requirements and standards for use of removable wall and floor padding eliminating ambiguity in the code.

**Modification:** 10210

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Indoor Restroom Counts

**Summary:** Indoor pool restroom fixture counts will now be calculated the same as outdoor fixture counts.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10232

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Remote Cleaning Systems

**Summary:** Eliminates the contradictory equalizer valve requirement for remote vacuum systems.

**Modification:** 10235

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Chlorine Gas

**Summary:** Prohibits the use of chlorine gas for disinfection.

**Modification:** 10242

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Plunge Pool Pump Reservoirs

**Summary:** Deletes plunge pool pump reservoir language since pump reservoirs are no longer required.

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**Modification:** 10303

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Floating Skimmers Pump Reservoir

**Summary:** Deletes pump reservoir floating skimmer language.

**Modification:** 10304

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Water Slide Recirculation Rates

**Summary:** Specifies water slide recirculation rates. Plunge pools shall be 2 hours or less and runout lanes shall be 1 hour or less.

**Modification:** 10307

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Turnover Rate 18 Inches Water or Less

**Summary:** Specifies a turnover rate of 1 hour or less for areas with 18 inches or less of water.

**Modification:** 10311

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Resurfacing Requirements

**Summary:** Requires gutter surfaces be brought up to current code when resurfacing.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10312

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Resurfacing Requirements

**Summary:** Requires hand rails and grab rails be brought up to current code when resurfacing.

**Modification:** 10313

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Gutter Grate Replacement when Resurfacing

**Summary:** Requires that if gutter grates are replaced, the new gutter grates shall have enough open area to meet or exceed the designed flow rate of the pool.

**Modification:** 10318

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** No Diving Marker Placement

**Summary:** Clarifies that "NO DIVING" markers are not required inside of the swimming pool.

**Modification:** 10319

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Inlet / Skimmer Alignment

**Summary:** Allows a tolerance of 5 feet for alignment of inlets and skimmers.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10322

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Recessed Gutters

**Summary:** Requires 4 inches of clearance for gutter cleaning.

**Modification:** 10324

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Resurfacing Requirements

**Summary:** Requires damp proofing to be applied between the pool shell and pool finish during resurfacing projects.

**Modification:** 10326

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** ORP/ PH Controllers

**Summary:** Requires ORP / PH controllers to be installed on all newly built swimming pools.

**Modification:** 10327

**Proponent:** FSPA

**Topic:** Bottom Drain

**Summary:** Creates a design exception when a bottom drain is used in conjunction with a wall main drain carrying 100% of the recirculation flow.



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**Modification:** 9857

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Pool Width Measurement to Protruding Steps

**Summary:** Allows the measurement from the last step to the opposite wall to be 10 ft.

**Modification:** 9868

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Water Feature Flow

**Summary:** Allows up to 50% of filtered water to be diverted to water features. If more than 20% of flow is diverted to water features then the pool shall comply with the sections regarding halogen feeder equipment.

**Modification:** 9930

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Inlet Spacing

**Summary:** Simplifies inlet spacing language. No substantive change to requirements.

**Modification:** 9932

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Turnover Minimums

**Summary:** Specifies that turnover rates referenced in the code are turnover minimums.



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**Modification:** 9934

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Spa Handrails

**Summary:** Deletes redundant language in this section.

**Modification:** 9935

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** IWF Lighting

**Summary:** Deletes redundant language regarding IWF lighting. Specifies that 3 footcandles of illumination shall be provided at the top of slides and at run outs.

**Modification:** 9936

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Conversion Error Fix

**Summary:** Fixes a unit conversion error in the code.

**Modification:** 9938

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Error Fix

**Summary:** Fixes a slope error in the code.

**Modification:** 10382

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Swim Up Bars

**Summary:** Add swim up bar construction standards to the commercial swimming pool code.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10385

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Run Out Lane Walkways

**Summary:** Specifies that the 5 ft walkway for a run out lane only needs to be on one side of the run out lane.

**Modification:** 10389

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Filer Passes

**Summary:** Updates filter pass standards to allow for the use of more efficient filters.

**Modification:** 9863

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Plunge Pool Decking

**Summary:** Specifies placement of plunge pool decking and a minimum area of 10 ft x 10 ft for such decking.

**Modification:** 9942

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Pool Furniture

**Summary:** Allows for purpose built removable pool furniture to be placed in the swimming pool on sun shelves.



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**Modification:** 9858

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Sun Shelf Tile Width

**Summary:** Reduces the width of contrasting tile lines in sun shelves from 4 in. to 2 in.

**Modification:** 9859

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Pool Slope

**Summary:** Eliminates the minimum slope requirement.

**Modification:** 9860

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Deep Areas

**Summary:** Eliminates a minimum deep area requirement.

**Modification:** 9864

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Plunge Pool Access Points

**Summary:** Clarifies that the 75 ft access point rule does not apply to plunge pools.  
Allows for a single access point.



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**Modification:** 9926

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Unit Error / Redundant language

**Summary:** Fixes a minor unit error and removes redundant code language.

**Modification:** 9929

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Skimmer Equalizers

**Summary:** Clarifies requirements for equalizer lines.

**Modification:** 9931

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Chlorine Storage

**Summary:** Allows for liquid chlorine storage tanks to be placed outside and inaccessible to the public.

**Modification:** 9933

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Wading Pools

**Summary:** Deletes repetitive code requirements.

**Modification:** 9937

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Grammar Error

**Summary:** Fixes minor grammar error to eliminate the possibility of confusion.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 9939

**Proponent:** Michael Weinbaum (Martin Aquatic)

**Topic:** Spelling Error

**Summary:** Fixes a spelling error in the code.

**Modification:** 10184

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Deep Areas

**Summary:** Eliminates requirement for deep areas in pools.

**Modification:** 10190

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie / FSPA Alternate Language

**Topic:** Sun Shelf Steps

**Summary:** Allows sun shelf to terminate into steps across the entire sun shelf in more than 4 ft of water.

**Modification:** 10191

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie / FSPA Alternate Language

**Topic:** Sun shelves

**Summary:** Allows for radiused sun shelf designs, sets sun shelf minimum depth at 6 in and a maximum of 12 in, and removes the requirement that a skimmer be placed in a sun shelf in pools using automatic recessed skimmers.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10200

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** IWF UV Requirements

**Summary:** Clarifies UV requirements for IWFs.

**Modification:** 10202

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Vanishing Edge Pools

**Summary:** Adds code language specific to vanishing edge pools.

**Modification:** 10204

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie / FSPA Alternate Language

**Topic:** Vanishing Edge Pool Definition

**Summary:** Adds definition to the building code for “Vanishing edge”.

**Modification:** 10185

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Deep and Shallow Areas

**Summary:** Eliminates requirement for deep areas and shallow areas in pools.

**Modification:** 10186

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Signage Change

**Summary:** Eliminates requirement to warn of sun shelf drop offer where the sun shelf transitions to steps.



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**Modification:** 10189

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Pools Access

**Summary:** Includes sun shelves as a swimming pool access point.

**Modification:** 10194

**Proponent:** Jim LePetrie

**Topic:** Wadding Pool Drainage

**Summary:** Allows for an alternate method of draining a wadding pool following a fecal discharge event.

**Modification:** 10522

**Proponent:** PHTA

**Topic:** Standard Updates

**Summary:** Updates referenced standards in the public pool code to the most current editions.

**Modification:** 10523

**Proponent:** PHTA

**Topic:** Standard Updates

**Summary:** Updates referenced standards in the residential pool code to the most current editions.



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**Modification:** 10438

**Proponent:** PHTA

**Topic:** Mesh Barrier Standard

**Summary:** Modifies the commercial pool code to reference the ASTM mesh barrier standard instead of quoting it.

**Modification:** 10439

**Proponent:** PHTA

**Topic:** Mesh Barrier Standard

**Summary:** Modifies the residential pool code to reference the ASTM mesh barrier standard instead of quoting it.

**Modification:** 9940

**Proponent:** Weller Pools

**Topic:** Updates Code References

**Summary:** Updates references to competitive swimming handbook in the code.

**Modification:** 9941

**Proponent:** Weller Pools

**Topic:** Updates Code References

**Summary:** Updates references to competitive diving handbook in the code.



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**Modification:** 10492

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH)

**Topic:** Flowmeters

**Summary:** Updates code to allow for improved flowmeters. Removes require that flowmeters must be installed inline after pool heaters.

**Modification:** 10509

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH)

**Topic:** ADA Access

**Summary:** Clarifies ADA transfer wall and lowered deck requirements.

**Modification:** 10529

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH)

**Topic:** Surfpoools

**Summary:** Sets construction standards for surf pool construction.

**Modification:** 10465

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH) / FSPA Alternate language

**Topic:** Life Ring Standards / Ph and Chlorine Generator Requirements

**Summary:** Requires life rings be approved by a nationally recognized water safety device standard. Requires that PH feeders and chlorine generators be built to resist corrosion.

FSPA eliminated language from this modification that would have required prior approval of all dark logos larger than 12x12 in by the variance board.



## 2023 Florida Building Code Approved Modifications

**Modification:** 10516

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH) / FSPA Alternate Language

**Topic:** Float Tanks / Resistance Exercise Pools

**Summary:** Establishes code standards for float tanks and for circular or oval shaped resistance exercise pools.

**Modification:** 10528

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH) / FSPA Alternate Language

**Topic:** Spa Timers

**Summary:** Requires bather actuated spa timers.

FSPA alternate language eliminated language from this proposal that would have not permitted obstructions near pool areas 5 ft or deeper.

**Modification:** 10455

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH)

**Topic:** Standard Update

**Summary:** Updates equipment testing standards to current NSF standards.

**Modification:** 10527

**Proponent:** Bob Vincent (FL DOH)

**Topic:** Sun Shelf Depths

**Summary:** Clarifies code to indicate sun shelf depths are minimums and maximums.