



Inground Pool Project Checklist

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INITIAL DECISIONS

- ☐ Choose a licensed, insured contractor with strong references
- ☐ Decide pool type: gunite, vinyl liner, or fiberglass
- ☐ Decide filtration type: chlorine or salt water
- ☐ Pick size, depth, and shape to match your vision
- ☐ Select features: spa, tanning ledge, lighting, water features
- ☐ Plan surrounding landscaping: patio, pergola, fire features, greenery

PERMITS & APPROVALS

- ☐ Confirm fencing and safety code requirements
- ☐ Submit HOA approval (if required) Apply for city building permits
- ☐ Apply for township/city building permits
- ☐ Schedule 811 utility marking before digging

CONSTRUCTION STEPS

- ☐ Excavation of the pool site
- ☐ Install plumbing and electrical lines
- ☐ Build or place pool shell (gunite, fiberglass, or vinyl walls + liner)
- ☐ Backfill around pool and pour patio/decking
- ☐ Apply interior finish (plaster, pebble, liner, or tile)

FINAL SETUP

- ☐ Install equipment: pump, filter, heater, automation system
- ☐ Hook up pool lighting and test electrical connections
- ☐ Fill pool with water and balance chemicals
- ☐ Add safety features: fencing, alarms, or safety cover

WRAP-UP

- ☐ Schedule township/city inspection and final approval
- ☐ Review warranty and maintenance instructions with contractor
- ☐ Jump in for the first swim!



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