



# Clark County Building and Fire Prevention Field Inspection Division **FIELD INSPECTION GUIDELINE**

<b>Division:</b>	<b>Inspections</b>	<b>Policy &amp; Procedure:</b>	<b>FIG-B-003</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Sunken Areas in Residential Yards (Pits)</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b>	<b>06/06/2013</b>
<b>Code:</b>	<b>2018 UPC Section 1101.7 &amp; 1101.8, 2017 NEC 680.22(3)</b>	<b>Revised Date:</b>	<b>10/01/2020</b>
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### **Interpretation:**

Pits and pool side BBQ areas that are sunken into the yard, and pits built as part of a pool shall comply with all drainage, building, electrical, and plumbing code requirements.

### **Field Application:**

All areas within a yard need to comply with drainage requirements from yard to public way. Sump pumps shall be required unless the area can be drained through a drain pipe to an open area. French drains or leach pits are not permitted.

If the pit is next to a pool, it must also comply with the NEC Section 680, including bonding of all metal items within 5 feet of the pool, and all outlets shall be no less than 6 feet from the inside walls of the pool per NEC 680.22(3).