

SWIMMING POOLS FACT SHEET

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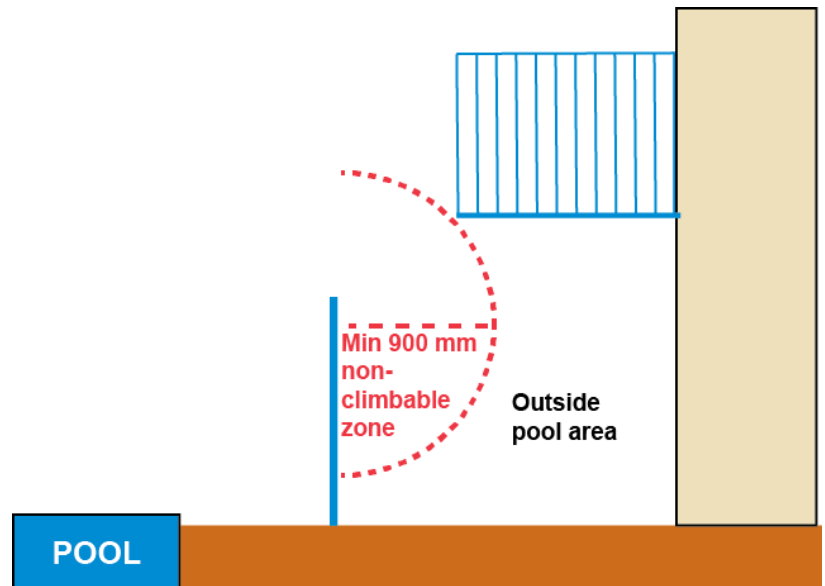
BALCONY BARRIERS

BALCONY BARRIER ADJACENT TO A POOL AREA

A balcony **must** include a balustrade that complies with *AS1926.1 – 2012*:

Safety barriers for swimming pools where:

- any part of the balcony floor intrudes into the non climbable zone of the pool safety barrier, or
- the balcony has direct access (stairs) into the pool area.



BALCONY PROJECTS OVER A POOL AREA

AS1926.1-2012 is silent on the situation of balconies that project over a pool area. This is a situation that may provide access into the pool area via the balcony doors, windows or steps.

As a guide, and in accordance with *AS1926.1 – 2007*, a balcony balustrade is to comply with *AS1926.1 – 2012* where:

- the distance (**h₃**) from any part of the floor of the balcony to the finished ground level of the pool area is less than 1800mm, or
- the balcony has direct access (stairs) into the pool area.

