

**FLORIDA BUILDING COMMISSION
Plumbing Technical Advisory Committee
and Pool and Spa Drain Safety Subcommittee
Orlando, Florida
March 25, 2002**

REPORT

Voting Members Present:

Dan Shaw, Gary Duren, Jim Cortez, Gary Kozan, Robert Trumbower, Christ Sanidas, Kevin Fennell, Les Doddal

Meeting Objectives:

1. Recommend action on DEC requests DCA02-DEC-071 and DCA02-DEC-073 concerning the need for main outlets on pools (s. 424.2.2.1.3) and whether one skimmer is sufficient on some pools (s. 424.2.6.6.4).
2. Recommend action on DEC requests DCA02-DEC-048, DCA02-DEC-060 and DCA02-DEC-070 concerning whether a skimmer constitutes one of the two required suction inlets in section 424.2.6.6.3.
2. Recommend action on DEC requests DCA02-DEC-049, DCA02-DEC-061 and DCA02-DEC-077 and DCA02-DEC-036 concerning entrapment avoidance in section 424.2.6.6.3.
3. Meeting evaluation and adjourn.

General Comments:

The TAC discussed DCA02-DEC-071 and DCA02-DEC-073 at length without consensus concerning their disposition because any resolution for above ground pools could have had adverse ramifications for other types of pools. The discussion was expanded to include DEC requests concerned with whether a skimmer constitutes one of the two required suction inlets in section 424.2.6.6.3, but could not achieve consensus; **they were tabled to be raised at the May 15 TAC meeting.**

DCA02-DEC071

Petitioner Pat Budowick asked whether above ground pools need a main drain as per section 424.2.21.3. Although unwilling to take direct action, the group moved to provide guidance to building officials on the "main outlet" issue as follows:

"The pool or auxiliary pump could be used to drain the pool and meet the requirements of section 424.2.21.3".