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).