



# Residential Fence Permit

## Information for Homeowners & Contractors



### Fence Guidelines:

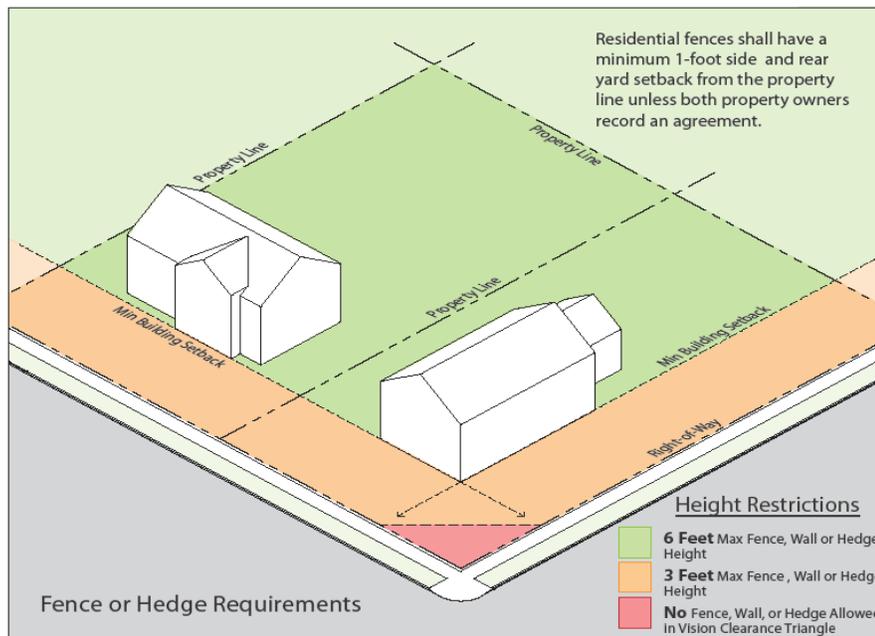
Fence maintenance and installation is not only your concern but often times becomes a concern for your neighbors. Many calls are placed to the Village from adjacent property owners with questions about the installation or maintenance of fences. For this reason, the Village requires a Fence Permit along with a Site Plan for the installation of a fence.

The permit will be reviewed for the following compliance items:

**Setbacks/Easements - Height Restrictions - Architectural Covenants**

### Why do I need a permit to install a fence?

Your home is an investment. If your construction project does not comply with local codes the value of your investment could be reduced. Property insurers may not cover the work performed without a permit and inspection. Finally you may be required to do costly repairs or alterations to correct the mistake.



### Fence Regulations

- Residential Fences shall have a minimum one (1) foot side and rear yard setback. A fence may be placed on the property line if the adjacent property owners agree (in writing) to allow such placement. A copy of the agreement shall be submitted to the Building Inspector at the time of application for a fence permit.
- A fence may be erected on residentially zoned property or adjacent thereto a height not exceeding six feet above ground level, except that no such fence which is located in a required front or corner side yard shall exceed a height of three feet. Architectural Covenants / Home Owners Association rules may also apply.
- The property owner shall be responsible for properly locating a fence in a legal location, and is responsible for any surveying work necessary to determine such legal location.
- Fences erected over utility easements may be removed by the pertinent utility at the expense of the property owner.
- Front, Side and Corner setbacks are determined by the applicable zoning district.
- Contact Diggers Hot-Line 1-800-242-8511

### What is needed on a Site Plan?

A site plan will include the proper location of:

- Property stakes,
- Dimensions of the lot,
- Easements,
- Dimensions to any existing structures on the lot,
- The site plan will clearly identify where the fence will be placed, the fence height and dimensions.

