

Community Development Department

FENCES

Permit Procedure:

- A. A completed permit application.
- B. A copy of the plat of survey showing the proposed location of fence.
- C. Show type and height of fence.
- D. All contractors must be licensed with the Village.

Permit Issuance:

- A. Site check must be approved by the inspector prior to issuance of permit.
- B. Call J.U.L.I.E. for utility line locations at 8-1-1 or dial 1-800-892-0123.

Inspections Required:

The following inspections are required:

- 1. **Site Check** (before the permit can be issued an inspection to verify the location and plans meet the village codes.)
- 2. **Final Inspection** (verify the fence has been built in accordance with the approved plans.)

Specifications: (Section 11-4-5-6 - Village Code)

Please note that these specifications are general and **not** comprehensive. Additional changes or suggestions may be made by the inspectors during the site check to ensure that the construction performed will be to code.

- 1. <u>Front Yard Fences</u>: No fence shall be erected or maintained in a front yard of any lot (*VC 02-37). Damaged or deteriorated front yard and corner side yard fences must be removed.
- 2. <u>Side Yard and Rear Yard Fence</u>: No fence shall be erected or maintained in a side yard or a rear yard in any district to a height greater than six feet (6') (see Diagram 1).
- 3. <u>Corner Side Yard</u>: Corner side yard and overlapping corner side/rear yard fences may be erected, to a height of six feet (6'), if said fencing is located a minimum of fifteen feet (15') from the property line along the public right-of-way (see Diagram 1).
- 4. <u>Line of Sight Obstruction</u>: In no event shall any wall, fence, or other structure or planting be placed or maintained in a location relative to a public or private street, alley, driveway or other means of ingress or egress such that the sight of on-coming vehicular or pedestrian traffic is impaired for users of such means of ingress and egress in accordance with regulations contained in the Municipal Code.

5. <u>Fences Installed Next to Existing Fences</u>: If an owner chooses to install a fence, parallel to an existing fence, it shall be installed three feet (3') from an existing fence. The owner of the property is responsible for maintenance between the fences.

*VC=Village Code

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- 6. <u>Construction Side In</u>: The construction side of the fence must face in towards the permit holder's lot.
- 7. <u>Screening of Dumpster Areas</u>: All refuse dumpster areas must be screened by a fence, wall or densely packed hedge of at least six (6') feet in height, to obstruct the view of such areas from the passing public and surrounding properties, or a combination of both as required by the Director of Community Development.
- 8. <u>Barbed Wire and Electrically Charged Fences</u>: The use of barbed wire or electrically charged fences is prohibited on all land used for residential purposes. The use of barbed wire or electrically charged fences may be approved as a special use on land used for other than residential purposes, but then only above a height of seven (7') feet.
- 9. <u>Maintenance of Fences and Screening</u>: Any fence or landscaped screening used to satisfy the requirements of this Article or required as a condition of approval for a special use permit shall be continually maintained in good repair and structurally sound for the duration of the use involved.
- 10. Accessories or Graffiti Prohibited: Banners, signs or graffiti is prohibited on all fences.

