# WHEN APPLYING FOR A FENCE BE SURE TO BRING:

- Application
- Plat of Survey
- Site Plan





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# McHENRY COUNTY Illinois



# **FENCES**

# GENERAL INFORMATION FOR FENCES

In unincorporated McHenry County a permit is required to construct privacy fences. Nonprivacy fences do not require permits unless they are serving as a pool barrier. Replacing any privacy fence requires a building permit.

Also, any decks built or expanded since 1946, without a permit, must be issued an afterthe-fact permit. This permit could cost the property owner a penalty fee in addition to the normal permit fee.



### **Basic Design Criteria**

General code requirements include but are not limited to:

- Maximum height of a privacy fence, at any point along the fence, is 6'0" from grade to top of the fence unless constructed within the building lines of the principle structure.
- Posts are only required to be as deep as is necessary to safely support the fence.
- Privacy fences shall not be constructed on front property lines or in front yards.
- Barbed wire and electric fences are prohibited in residential, office, business and CORI districts. Industrial districts, the use of barbed wire and electrical fences is prohibited, except when exceeding 8' in height.



## **General Information**

A privacy fence is defined as any fence that obscures more than 50% of the view through the fence.

There is a standard privacy fence permit fee, regardless of the amount of fencing to be installed.

Privacy fences only require a final inspection. Further inspections may be required by the Stormwater division.

Fences may be constructed up to and on to the property lines However, privacy fences are not allowed within a yard abutting a road or street.

#### Although a building permit may not be required for non privacy fences, a Stormwater review still applies.

Further information can be found by contacting our office at (815) 334-4560 or visiting our website at www.mchenrycountyil.gov.



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# RESIDENTIAL ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS & ACCESSORY STRUCTURES SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

- 1. A completed Permit Application.
- 2. A Site Plan showing lot dimensions, structures and the proposed construction with setbacks for zoning purposes. YOU MAY USE A COPY OF THE PLAT OF SURVEY.
- 3. A Current Plat of Survey
- 4. Two sets of **DETAILED** construction plans at 1/4"=1'-0" scale. This includes:
  - -Foundation Plan [include beams & columns with sizes & locations, egress windows & stair location and sizes, concrete slab information, electrical layout, equipment location, etc.]
  - -Floor Plans [include headers and beam sizes, joist and rafter sizes, window sizes and location, electrical receptacles, switches and GFI designation and plumbing fixture layout.]
  - -Exterior Elevation Views of all Four Sides [include window sizes, roof venting, decks and guardrail regulations, roofing and siding materials].
  - -Detailed Wall Sections [include all construction component notes from roof to footings)
  - -Truss Certificates must be signed and sealed by a State of Illinois Structural Engineer or Architect.
  - -Unusual or non-standard construction may require signoff by an Illinois Structural Engineer or Architect.
  - **Existing** Floor Plans as well as **Proposed** Floor Plans may be required to be submitted if it is unclear what changes are being made to the existing residence.
  - Pool Manufacturer specifications for pumps, filters, and motors are required.

5. Well/Septic System Impact Review Sheet/or Health Department approval.

- A copy of your current septic system will be required with the well/septic review sheet to verify if proposed work meets the Health Department setbacks. If a plan is not provided by the Health Department or our archival records, we will require a Health Department review and signoff to verify the location of your septic and well.
- If Bedrooms are being proposed or 50% or more of habitable space is being added to the original structure, a Health Department review and signoff will be required.
- 6. A nonrefundable review fee must be paid at the time of application. Cash or Check
- 7. A culvert certificate or sign off from the appropriate road district will be required. [IDOT for state highway's, MCDOT for county highway's or Township Road Commissioner for township roads]
- 8. A copy of the plumber's state license and registration as well as a letter of intent and the roofer's state roofing license.
- 9. WRECKING permits require a notarized letter from the owner stating that all utilities have been or will be disconnected prior to demolition AND signoff from the Health Department for well and/or septic abandonment.
  - The items in red are not required at the time of applying, but is required prior to issuing the permit.

#### PERMIT APPLICATION FOR ALTERATIONS AND ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

OWNER INFORMATION:	CONTRACTOR INFORMATION:			
Name	Name			
Address	Address			
City, St, Zip	City, St, Zip			
Daytime Phone				
PARCEL INFORMATION:				
Address				
CityZip	Property Phone:			
Parcel/Tax Number				
	Unit			
Subdivision				
Mail Permit To: Owner Contractor Pickup	Number of Stories:			
Construction:	Number of Rooms:			
5	Number of Bedrooms:			
Utility	Number of Bathrooms:			
Building Type, Ornvate Orablic				
Electrical Wiring? Yes No	Amps of panel 100 200 400 other			
Type of Heat Gas Electric Water	Exterior Wall Type:			
Central Air?	Basement: Ves No			
# of Fireplaces and/or Woodburning Stoves	Garage: None Attached Detached			
Chimney Type:				
Total # of Plumbing Fixtures:				
Sinks Toilets Tubs Showers	Misc Hose Bibb DW			
Fencing: Yes No Wrecking: Yes N	o Stormwater Review:			
	□Yes □No			
New Siding:	o Red Tag: □Yes □No			
New Foundation: Ves No Pool: None Aboveground Inground				
Roofers Name:	Architect:			
Roofers License #:	Stormwater Engineer:			
Electrician	HVAC Contractor:			
Excavator:	Plumber:			
Concrete Contractor:	Plumber License #:			
Plumber Registration#				
Square Footage of Work Covered by This Permit:				
Main Sq. Ft Garage Sq. Ft	Deck/Porches Sq. Ft			
Approximate Value of Work Covered by This Permit:				
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- SITE PLAN

#### Parcel stakes must be visible

- · Show all structures existing on parcel at present time (incl. well & septic)
- Note if your facility is existing or proposed
- Note parcel size and building location
- · Indicate north direction
- · Indicate all adjacent roads/streets (both improved & unimproved)

## ALL SETBACKS ARE MEASURED FROM THE OVERHANG TO THE PROPERTY LINE!

SKETCH YOUR SITE PLAN BELOW - SUPPLY COMPLETE INFORMATION LOCATE BUILDINGS ON PARCEL BY DIMENSIONS TO PARCEL LINES - NOTE ABOVE SKETCH

<u>NOTE</u>: FRAUDULANT MISREPRESENTATIONS ON THE SITE PLAN MAY RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF ANY PERMIT ISSUED BY MCHENRY COUNTY PURSUANT TO A REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION.

### NO INSPECTIONS UNTIL CULVERT IS INSTALLED AND ACCESS TO SITE IS AVAILABLE

P.I.N	PERMIT #	_ DATE ISSUED	
LOT/ <b>S</b> # BLOCK # _	SUBDIVISION		_ UNIT #
ADDRESS			STEPLAN / 100 652001 - CJ