



City of Newton

208 N Van Buren St, Room A

Newton, IL 62448

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Fence Permit Application Information

The following information is required for all permits:

- Name, address and telephone number of property owner
- Physical address of property
- Legal description - including lot, block, subdivision or meets & bounds description
- Property Tax ID number, tax bill or abstract
- Complete name(s), address(es) and telephone number(s) of ALL contractors and sub contractors

Permits will not be issued with incomplete information.

Please allow 5 - 7 business days for this application to be processed.

NO WORK CAN BEGIN WITHOUT A PERMIT!

There is no fee for a fence permit.

The permit must be displayed/kept in a prominent location on the job site.

A complete list of fence regulations can be found in Chapter 40 of the City of Newton Code Book, specifically 40-5-3: Buffer Strips, Fences, Walls and Hedges. Some of the more common requirements include but are not limited to:

- No fence shall be erected in any front yard setback area (25 feet) with the exception of landscape fences which must be approved by the Zoning Administration.
- Fences cannot enclose city utility meters or poles.
- No fence shall be erected within 3 feet of any alley, street, sidewalk or other public right-of-way.
- No fence shall be erected within 2 feet of any property line without a survey and written mutual consent of the abutting property owner(s).
- No fence can completely enclose a lot without the provision of a gate for accessibility.
- No fence shall exceed 8 feet in height except in the Industrial District where the maximum height shall not exceed 10 feet. In areas near street intersections, special height restrictions shall apply.
- Any fence must comply with the Illinois Drainage Code. (70ILCS Sec 2-1 through 2-13.)

