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FENCES

This handout is for **REFERENCE ONLY**. For more details see specific code sections.

Fences may not extend beyond the front building line, or interfere with the clear vision area at or near street intersections. Fences shall be constructed of attractive materials.

Subdivision covenants or homeowner's associations may either prohibit or have more restrictive requirements than Village ordinances. Please verify and submit approval letter from developer or homeowner's association along with your application.

FENCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Maximum height for a fence is five (5) feet above existing ground. A minimum of one inch open space for each two inches of fence material.
2. Fences can be located on the property line. However, if installed on an easement and a utility company needs access to your property they can remove your fence and not have to replace or repair it. If a fence is installed in an easement, it will be to the homeowner's own risk.
3. Privacy fences (only when swimming pools are installed) that will be placed perpendicular to drainage easements must be placed a minimum of six (6) inches above ground. Fence shall not block overland flood routes.
4. Swimming pools do require fencing. (See Swimming Pool Requirements handout).

CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

1. Existing grade should not be altered. Excavated spoils will need to be removed from site.
2. Extreme care is to be taken to protect the existing utilities, pavement, curbs, sidewalks. Pavement, curb and sidewalk should be ramped or planked to avoid damage. Any damage done to Village property will be the responsibility of the homeowner to replace or repair.

TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT

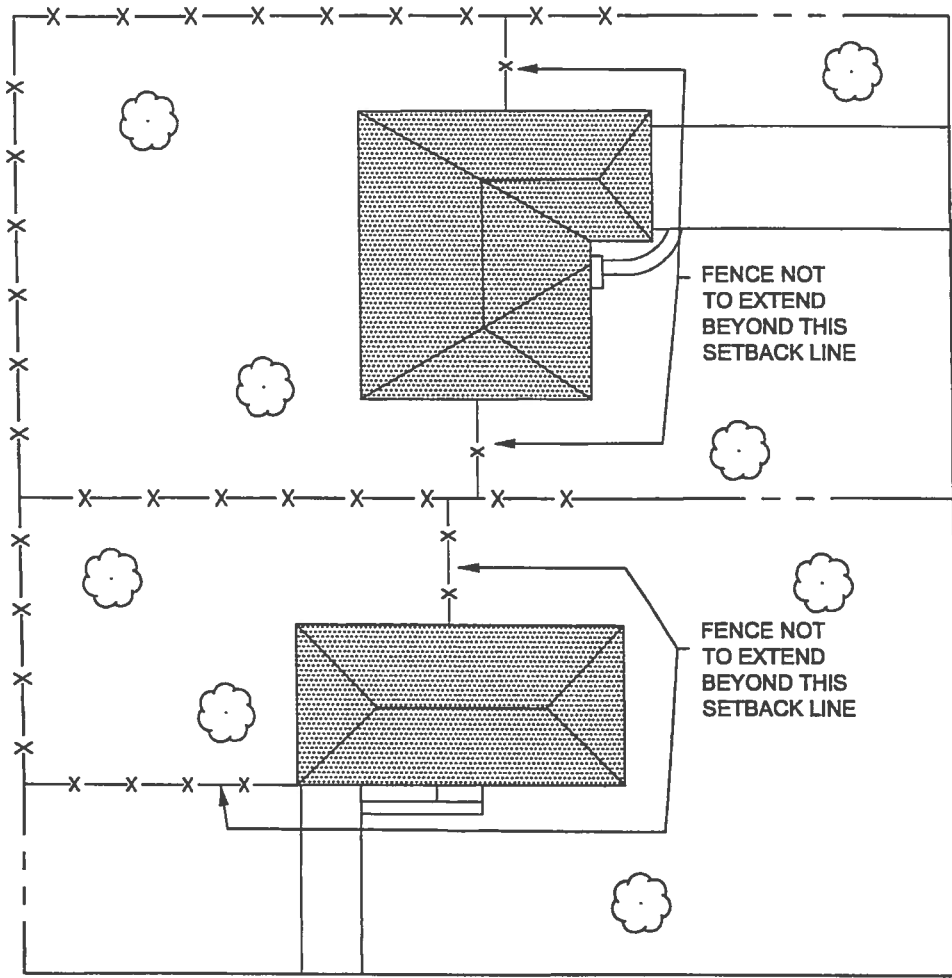
1. Complete permit application.
2. Submit a copy of the plat of survey showing the proposed fence location.
3. Submit a picture or sketch of proposed fence and indicate type of materials to be used.
4. Provide a copy proposal from contractor.
5. Contact J.U.L.I.E. (Utility Location Service) at 1-800-892-0123 to locate underground utilities and to obtain a dig number.
6. Submit approval letter from developer or homeowners association, when applicable.

INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

1. The permit holder is responsible for scheduling inspections. The following inspections are required:
 - a. Post hole inspection, BEFORE placing any concrete, 42" minimum depth below grade;
 - b. Final inspection, when the fence installation is completed.

To schedule an inspection please call SafeBuilt at 815-255-9047, please have your permit number available.

HOMEOWNER IS RESPONSIBLE TO FOLLOW ALL CODES & ORDINANCES.



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FENCE LOCATION

SEE ZONING ORDINANCE SECTION 4.31 FENCES