



BUILDING DEPARTMENT GUIDELINES FOR FENCE INSTALLATION

TO OBTAIN A PERMIT, YOU WILL NEED:

- Completed Building Permit application
- A Plat of Survey showing the proposed fence location and distance from side and rear property lines
- Copy of plans from fence contractor that includes height of fence and cost
- A letter from you homeowners association approving the proposed work

REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL:

- No fence may exceed four feet (4') in height in front yards
- No fence may exceed six feet (6') in height in side or rear yards
- A fence six feet (6') in height shall not extend beyond the building setback line into the front yard
- When any fence is installed in the front, side, or rear yard, it shall not extend beyond the property line or encroach upon adjoining property
- No structure of any kind will be allowed in an overland relief route

RESIDENTIAL CORNER LOTS:

- On all corner lots, any fence other than a decorative fence shall not extend beyond the building setback lines
- A decorative fence used mostly for aesthetics, which adds visual beauty to the property, may not exceed forty-two inches (42") in height when the fence is installed in a front or corner side yard.
- Forty percent (40%) of the square footage of the overall dimensions of the fence shall be open
- A woven wire or cyclone type fence is not considered a decorative fence

INSPECTIONS REQUIRED:

- Notify JULIE at least 2 business days before digging. Call 811 or visit www.illinois1call.com
- Final inspection

****Call 815-467-2151 to schedule inspections. 24 hour notice is required****