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# FENCES

A fence permit is required for all installations of fences. The homeowner or contractor must complete a building permit application form and submit a plot plan diagram showing the proposed fence location.

The permit fee is \$50.00.

- Fences must not extend beyond your property line. Please note that property lines along roadways are located at the street right-of-way, not the curb.
- The exterior or finished side of the fence must face to the outside or away from the property being fenced.
- Barbed wire and any other materials that prove dangerous or hazardous are not allowed in residential zoned areas.
- Generally, the minimum distance for a solid fence (more than 42" in height) must be 30 ft. from the front property line.
- The maximum fence height is 7 feet, except as stated below:
  - ⇒ Front Yard: The maximum height is 42 inches. The fence shall have at least 75% of its area open for clear visibility, i.e., chain link.
  - ⇒ Corner Lot: To maintain traffic visibility at intersections, fences located on the outside corner of the lot shall not exceed 42 inches in height. The fence must have at least 75% of its area open for clear visibility.
  - ⇒ The outside corner is a triangular shaped area formed by the property lines (of each street right-of-way) and a line between the points measured 30 feet in each direction from the lot corner along the property lines.
- All fences are to be maintained so as not to be unsightly or present harmful health or safety conditions.
- *Contact "Gopher State One Call" (651-454-0002) 48 hours before digging.*

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