

FENCE REGULATIONS

No fence shall be erected or located on residential property without filing an application for and receiving a zoning certificate. A fee (Please see Annual Fee Schedule) shall be paid upon granting of a fence permit.

Purpose- The following standards provide the opportunity for property owners to erect fences for decorative, security and privacy, while assuring levels of aesthetic quality for the community.

A privacy or decorative fence may be erected or located on a property or any lot in accordance with the following conditions:

- A.** For this resolution a fence will also encompass and be interchangeable to mean a wall, landscaping timbers or ties and a flowerbed constructed of any like materials, hedges, shrubs or any vegetation representing a living fence
- B.** The fence must be set back at least two (2) feet from the property line of all adjacent properties or road right of way and be maintained by the property owner as to not constitute a nuisance. (Does not include property declared agricultural see ORC Title (9) IX, Chapter 971 Fences)
- C.** No Fence shall exceed a maximum height of (6) six feet measured from the ground surface
- D.** No fence shall be erected or maintained which obstructs the visibility of approaching traffic at intersections or adjacent property owner's driveways
- E.** A fence may be erected in the side yards to adjacent property owners including from the building set back line to the road right of way
- F.** The color, texture or structure of the fence shall be consistent on both sides of the fence, as well as in the complete construction of the fence, or any addition to the fence. In the case of a fence being discontinued, said fence will be repaired/replaced to best aesthetic and structural ability available to meet like conditions of existing fence
- G.** Fences not finished on both sides will be constructed with the finished side facing away from the lot owners property
- H.** All fences shall be constructed of standard fencing materials and made of good quality and durability, and maintained to the same standards. A decorative landscaping fence may be located in front of a residential dwelling provided that it does not exceed (4) four feet in height from the ground surface, and that it does not obstruct the visibility of approaching traffic, at intersections or adjacent property owner's driveways
- J.** No fence shall be constructed and/or erected as to prevent access to public utility meters
- K.** Barbed and or razor wire are prohibited, except under agricultural uses as permitted under Ohio Revised Code fence laws or in Industrial Zones as for security purposes.
- L.** Electric fences are prohibited, except as agricultural use partition fence as permitted under the appropriate section of the Ohio Revised Code fence laws
- M.** Snowdrift fencing shall only be used for retaining snowdrifts and shall only be permitted during snow season November through April 1
- N.** Wire fence is permitted to restrain or prohibit wildlife around garden areas or for enclosing household pets, providing all above regulations are met
- O.** Chicken wire fencing is prohibited, except for strictly agricultural purposes
- P.** Nonconforming fences that are replaced may be installed in the same location as long as there is no additional fence added. The changing of materials or height does not constitute additional fence
- Q.** Fencing connecting two (2) nonconforming fences is not required to conform to this Resolution, pertaining to the setback requirements provided no part of the fence is constructed on other properties.
- R.** This section does not apply to Dumpster Screening requirements