

Fences (Residential)

- PERMITS:** Permits are required for new and replacement fences where new post holes are being dug. No permit is required for replacing chain link, wooden fence panels, or a gate replacement (no post). 7 to 10 days for review.
- CONTRACTORS:** Contractors are required to be licensed by the Village of Schiller Park. Contractors and Homeowners are responsible for building off the lot line and proper drainage. If you are doing the work with your own hands, on your own house, licensing is not required BUT a 'Certificate of Responsibility' is required.
- GUIDELINES:**
1. Swimming Pools have special fence requirements. Please refer to the Swimming Pool Handout.
 2. The fence must be installed within your property. It is your responsibility to locate the fence so it is not encroaching on your neighbor's property.
 3. Fences within 25 feet of a street intersection can be no higher than 36 inches.
 4. Front yard fences can be no more than 42 inches high, and must be 50% open.
 5. Fences adjoining a neighbor's front yard can be no more than 48 inches high.
 6. Rear yard fences limited to 6 feet high.
 7. Rear yard fences next to a commercial use may be 8 feet high.
 8. If you are in a flood plain or flood way, there may be limits to installation, materials, posts, or face openings, please ask for verification.
 9. Permitted materials include wood, PVC, or rod iron.
 10. Prohibited materials include chicken wire, corrugated metal, canvas, barbed wire, electric wire or any material likely to cause bodily injury.
 11. Before installation, please call JULIE utility locator 1800-892-0123 (www.illinois1call.com). The homeowner is responsible for any puncturing of water, sewer, electric, telephone, data, natural, or other utility lines.
 12. Post holes must be at least 42 inches deep.
 13. If you and your neighbor both have a fence on a shared property line (double fences), you both will be responsible for trimming the grass/weeds between the fences.
 14. No fences are allowed in the parkway.
 15. Post spacing should meet manufacturer's specification.

APPLICATION: One original complete Permit with two (2) copies of the following:

1. A current Plat of Survey with the location of fence [sections]
 - a. New or replaced sections
 - b. Height of each section
 - c. Gate location and swing opening
2. Fence information – Fill out worksheet, page 3.

INSPECTIONS: All inspections require a minimum of 24 hours notice. The required inspection is:

1. Post Holes – must be 42” deep.
2. Final—when the fence is 100% complete.

OTHER INFO/TIPS FOR SUCCESS:

1. Apply for a permit before you make a deposit for materials or installation. We must approve or deny a permit based on building codes and zoning ordinances. We cannot account for your financial risk. A reputable contractor or supplier will wait for the permit.
2. Get manufacturer’s information and submit with the permit application
3. Ask the contractor to ‘pull the permit’
4. Be wary of fence suppliers or contractors running ‘specials’ that require immediate cash deposits/material purchases. If it is too good to be true, it probably is.
5. If you are unsure of whom to contact, we maintain a list of fence contractors licensed in the Village that have successfully installed fences previously.

FENCE TYPES - SELECT ONE

PVC

METAL

WOOD



ENLARGE Picket Dogear

Picket



ENLARGE Black Vinyl Chainlink

Chainlink



ENLARGE Scalloped Picket

Picket



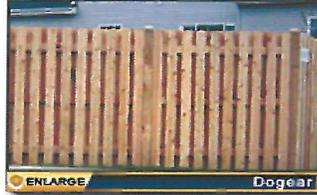
ENLARGE Shadowbox

Shadowbox



ENLARGE Bronze Flat Top

Ornamental Iron



ENLARGE Dogear

Shadowbox



ENLARGE Solid

Solid



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ENLARGE Split Rail

Split Rail

Height of Fence:



ENLARGE Semi-Private

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