



LINCOLN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

FENCE APPLICATION

Job address _____ Tax Code # _____

Property owner _____ Daytime phone# _____

Property owner address _____

Applicant/contractor _____

Applicant/contractor address _____

DESCRIBE WORK: A sketch/drawing showing the property lines and the location of any buildings on the property on which the fence is to be constructed shall be submitted to the DBS prior to the onset of any construction activity. The location of the proposed fence shall also be shown along with any pertinent dimensions. Further, this form shall also show the type/materials of the fence and the height.

A copy of the fence ordinance is provided to each applicant and this form shall be signed by said applicant indicating that they have been provided with a copy of the ordinance and that they have read and to agree to abide by the ordinance.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

MUST BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT

NOTES TO PROPERTY OWNER OR CONTRACTOR

Before job is started, call MISS DIG – 811

- Check for easements on the property.
- Finish side of the fence to the outside neighboring properties.
- Boundary, property or survey lines must be properly determined. The Township assumes no responsibility in determining property lines.
- A final inspection is required.
- Agricultural (AG) district is exempt from this permit requirement.

Approved by _____ Date _____

230.314 FENCES

- A. Permit Required. The erection of any fence, wall, hedge or other type of barrier shall be approved first by the zoning administrator and shall require a fence permit, unless such fence, hedge or wall is part of a site plan requiring review and approval of the Planning Commission. The issuance of a fence permit under this section shall not be considered as evidence of title or ownership of land by the application.
- B. Height Standards.
1. Residential Side or Rear Yard. Fences, walls and hedges on all lots of record in the LD, CR, HD, NRD and MH districts, which are within a side or rear yard shall not exceed six (6) feet in height, measured from natural grade to the highest point of the fence. A six (6) foot fence may extend from a side yard into the front yard to the applicable front yard setback line.
 2. Residential Front Yard. Front yard fences, walls and hedges in the LD, CR, HD, NRD and MH districts, shall be not more than 75% opaque and shall not to exceed four (4) feet in height. The requirements of this section shall apply to both front yards on through lots.
 3. Residential Secondary Front Yard. Fences, walls and hedges located within a secondary front yard shall not exceed six (6) feet in height and shall be located at least ten (10) feet from the secondary front yard right-of-way/property line.
 4. Commercial. Fences, walls and hedges in commercial districts shall be subject to the same restrictions as fences located in residential districts.
 5. Industrial. All fences, walls and hedges erected in industrial districts shall not be less than six feet in height. The maximum height of opaque fences in the industrial districts shall be twelve (12) feet. Residential uses in an industrial district must comply with residential fence requirements provided herein.
 6. Agricultural. Parcels in the AG, Agricultural District less than 5 acres in area, shall comply with the residential standards in Section 230.314.

C. Fences, Wall and Hedge Standards.

1. Fences, walls and hedges may be located adjacent to a lot line, but shall be constructed and located entirely on the owner's property.
2. The portion of such fences, walls and hedges located in the primary front yard shall not be nearer to the street than the applicable front yard setback line.
3. The distance a fence, wall or hedge is raised in height by a berm, structure, or other object, shall be included in the measurement so that no fence exceeds the height limitations set forth herein as determined from natural grade.
4. Fences or walls located on sites with commercial or industrial uses that are adjacent to the LD, CR, HD, NRD and MH district, or a residential use shall not exceed six feet in height and shall be screened with plantings pursuant to Article 6.
5. Fences shall not contain barbed wire, or sharp pointed cresting, or other things dangerous and likely to snag, tear, cut or otherwise injure any person. No person shall erect an above ground electrified fence. Agricultural district parcels of five acres and over are exempt from these requirements.
6. A fence and walls shall be stable, safe and properly supported.
7. Fences and walls shall be constructed with all supporting structures or devises on the inside of the fence or wall, with the finished side out.
8. Vertical supports may exceed the fence or wall height by not more than four inches.
9. Fences shall be constructed of the following approved fence materials: treated wood, vinyl, chain link, or other material approved by the Zoning Administrator at the time the fence permit is issued. However, chain link fences shall not be permitted in the front or secondary front yard for any use in the LD, CR, HD, NRD and MH districts.

D. Maintenance.

Any fence or wall constructed or erected, or hedge planted or allowed to grow in the Township, shall be maintained in a safe and acceptable manner, conforming to the height requirements of the district in which it is located.

230.201.25 "Y"

Yards: The open spaces that lie between the principal building or buildings and the nearest lot line. The minimum required yard as set forth in this Zoning Ordinance is unoccupied and unobstructed from the ground upward except as may be specifically provided in this Zoning Ordinance.

Figure 201.25

1. Front Yard: An open space extending the full width of the lot, the depth of which is the minimum horizontal distance between the front lot line and the nearest point of the main building.
2. Rear Yard: An open space extending the full width of the lot, the depth of which is the minimum horizontal distance between the rear lot line and the nearest point of the main building. In the case of a corner lot, the rear yard may be opposite either street frontage.
3. Side Yard: An open space between a main building and the side lot line, extending from the front yard to the rear yard, the width of which is the horizontal distance from the nearest point on the side lot line to the nearest point of the main building.
4. Secondary Front Yard: A secondary front yard is the front yard on a corner lot which is not a primary front yard.
5. Primary Front Yard: A primary front yard is a front yard to which the front door of a proposed or existing residence faces and may also front the street from which the street address was derived.

