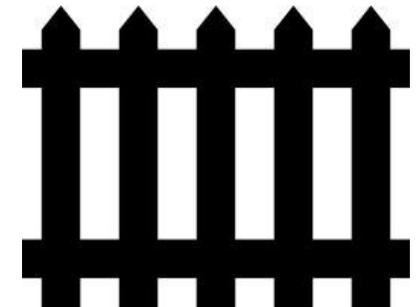


# Residential Fence Regulations



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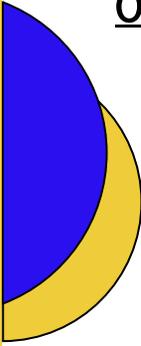
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The City of Bridgeton's Public Works Department supports and encourages every resident's decision to improve their home. Approval of plans and inspection of work being done helps ensure your home improvement project meets minimum code requirements while improving your property. We look forward to helping you.

If you have any questions pertaining to your home improvement project, please call the Public Works Department at (314) 739-7665. We will be happy to help you with anything you may need.



## Obtaining a Permit

In order to install, repair or replace a fence on your property, you must first apply for a building permit from the Public Works Department.

A building permit for a fence or fence repair is required when the total linear footage exceeds 24 feet in length consisting of three (3), eight (8) foot sections installed continuously. A maximum of three (3) sections may be replaced without the issuance of the building permit.

### **Your application for a residential fence permit MUST HAVE the following items:**

- 1) Four (4) copies of a site plan or plot plan of the property with the location of the existing and/or proposed fence drawn onto each copy.
- 2) A letter or a sign off from all adjoining neighbors. The letter must have their name and address listed, also stating they understand you will be constructing or replacing a fence.\*
- 3) A completed application for a building permit. This includes the address of the property, estimated cost of improvement, owner's name, address, and phone number. If a contractor is hired, the contractor's name, address, and phone number is also required. The OWNER must sign the application for building permit.
- 4) A completed application for a zoning certificate.

\* If you can't or don't want to get approval from all surrounding neighbors, you have the option to present your application to the Design and Review Board for approval. Please contact the Public Works Department for more information regarding meeting dates, deadlines, and extra information required.

## Regulations and Guidelines

- Open and closed fences in the rear and side yards of any residential property may not exceed six (6) feet in height.
- Maximum allowable height of a fence in a residential district is six (6) feet in height.
- On a corner lot, fences are not to be installed past the building setback line. For interior lots, a fence may be located to the established building setback line along the side lot lines, regardless of the building location.
- Within any front yard and the street side yard of a corner lot in a residential zoned district, a decorative fence may not be constructed closer than twenty (20) feet to the street right-of-way line. The fence must not exceed thirty-six (36) inches in height, nor thirty (30) feet in length.
- Decorative fences shall have their finished side facing the adjoining property owner unless the adjoining owner requests otherwise. Subject to Design and Review Board approval. Post and fence shall be placed on the property of the applicant.
- Chain link fences with material such as wooden slats, or plastic or metal strips woven through the chain link will not be accepted as aesthetically pleasing and must be approved by the Design and Review Board

## Other Important Information

The preceding requirements apply to most residential fence installations; however, the plan reviewer may determine that unusual circumstances dictate the need for additional information on any particular project.

Once your application is received please allow up to ten (10) business days for processing and review time. When your permit has been approved and the fee has been determined you will receive a phone call to inform you of the approval and the permit fee.

Also, please note that all of the fencing codes and regulations are too numerous to include in this brochure. For a complete list of every code and regulation for the City of Bridgeton please visit us online at <http://www.BridgetonMO.com>.

**Applications shall be turned into the Information Desk at City Hall.**

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### **Public Works Department Hours of Operation:**

Monday through Friday  
8:30a.m. – 5:00p.m.

Please feel free to either call or stop by with any questions.

