



**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL
PERMIT APPLICATION**

FENCING

DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Permit #

Property ID #

Zoning District

Lot Size

Location

Identification (PRINT)

Phone

Owner

Address

Construction Company

Address

Contact Person

Phone

Fence Specs

Cost

Length

Height

Start

Area to be fenced in

Type of fence

Reason for fence

WAIVER OF DAMAGES (Must be completed by owner)

I, (we) the owner of record, hereby hold Borough of Fountain Hill and their agents harmless for any and all damages that may occur to this fence, to include damages incurred during the legal access to right-of-ways and or any and all easements. Furthermore the fence will be located on our property, and will conform to all applicable conditions of Borough of Fountain Hill.

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER

DATE

VERIFICATION OF APPLICATION

I hereby certify that I am the owner of record of the named property, or that the proposed work is authorized by the owner of record and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his authorized agent. I hereby attest to the information on this application to be accurate and true to the best of my ability. I agree to conform to all applicable laws of Borough of Fountain Hill and certify that the code official or his authorized representative shall have the authority to enter areas covered by such permit at any reasonable hour to enforce the provision of the code(s) applicable to such permit.

Signature of Applicant

Application Date

Print Name of Applicant

Phone

Address of Applicant

ZONING ORDINANCE CONCERNING FENCES AND WALLS

A PERMIT IS REQUIRED TO PLACE A FENCE ON YOUR PROPERTY

FOUNTAIN HILL BOROUGH ORDINANCE CHAPTER 27 PART 4 §403.D.5

(5) Fences and Walls.

(a) Fences and walls are permitted by right in all districts. Any fence or wall shall be durably constructed and well-maintained. Fences that have deteriorated shall be replaced or removed.

(b) No fence, wall or hedge shall obstruct the sight requirements of § 803C.

(c) Fences.

[1] Front Yard. Any fence located in the required front yard of a lot in a residential district shall:

[a] Be an open type of fence (such as picket, metal post or split rail) with a minimum ratio of 1:1 of open to structural areas;

[b] Not exceed four feet in height; and

[c] In an Historic District, such fence shall not be constructed from chain-link metal. Fences are encouraged to be constructed using weather-resistant wood, vinyl materials that resemble wood, or vinyl materials that resemble historic-style metal post fences.

[2] On a corner lot, the maximum height of any fence shall be four feet within a yard that faces a street (not including a lot along an alley).

[3] Brick may be used for posts or as a base for a fence, provided that the maximum fence height is not exceeded.

[4] On a corner lot, a fence shall meet the same requirements along both streets as would apply within a front yard. However, a fence in the second front yard may have a height of six feet and is not required to be an open-type fence if it is located to the rear of the principal building. A fence shall not be required to comply with minimum setbacks for accessory structures.

[5] Height. Fences that are not within a residential district shall have a maximum height of six feet in a minimum front yard setback and eight feet in other locations. A fence in a residential district, other than a required front yard, shall have a maximum height of six feet.

[a] However, a maximum of height of 12 feet shall be permitted where the applicant proves to the Zoning Officer that such taller height is necessary to protect public safety around a specific hazard, such as around an electric substation.

[b] Structural posts of a fence may extend above the height of the fence.

[6] Setbacks. No fence shall be built within an existing street right-of-way. A fence is not required to be set back from a lot line, but a small setback is recommended to provide for future maintenance of the fence.

[7] Fence materials. Barbed wire shall not be used as part of fences around dwellings. No fence shall be constructed out of fabric, junk, junk vehicles, appliances, tanks or barrels.

[8] Facing of Fence. If one side of a fence includes posts or supports, those posts or supports shall be placed on the interior of the fence, as opposed to facing onto a street or another lot.

CHAPTER 803

C. Sight Clearance at Intersections.

- (1) Clear sight triangles shall be provided, within which no obstruction to vision shall be permitted between a height of 24 inches to 10 feet above the center-line grade of each street intersection. Such clear sight triangles shall be established from the point of intersection of the center lines of the intersecting streets for a distance of 75 feet where both streets are local streets, 100 feet where one or both streets are collector streets, and 150 feet where one or both streets are arterial streets.
- (2) In § 202, see the definition of "alley," which is distinguished from a street.
- (3) Where a street intersects with an alley, a clear sight triangle shall be established with one leg of the triangle 15 feet long along the edge of the right-of-way of the street and one leg of the triangle 10 feet long along the center line of the alley, with the two legs connected by a third longer leg.
- (4) Where two alleys intersect, a clear sight triangle shall be established with each leg of the triangle 10 feet long along the center line of each alley, and with the two legs connected by a third longer leg.
- (5) Within these clear sight triangles, no new sight obstruction shall be allowed that obstructs the views of motorists of oncoming vehicle and pedestrian traffic at a height between two and 10 feet in elevation. To the maximum extent feasible, this clear sight triangle shall also be cleared of existing obstructions, such as by trimming vegetation.