

# FENCE PERMITS



In Monona, fences on residential lots require a [Fence Permit](#). Fences in commercial or industrial areas may require approval by the Plan Commission. Fences are regulated by [Section 175-22 of the Building Code](#).

## Process

Fence Permits for the Single- and Two-Family zoning districts are reviewed by the Zoning Administrator and Building Inspector.

If the proposed fence meets all code requirements, it can be approved administratively.

## Permit Application

A complete [fence permit application](#) includes:

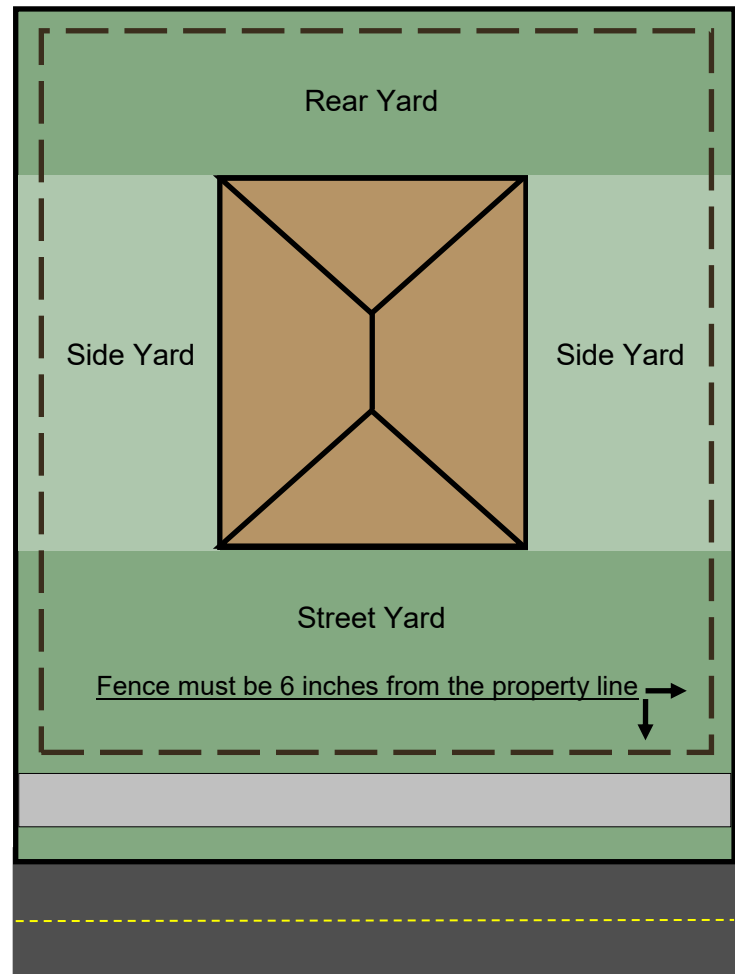
- Completed Fence Permit application form
- Scale drawings of the proposed fence location on the lot, with dimensions.
- A formal property survey may also be required.
- \$100 permit fee.

## Fence Requirements

Fences or hedges are defined as any partition, structure, wall, gate or planted materials (excluding trees), of masonry, posts and boards, palings or woven wire, or wrought iron, used as a dividing marker, barrier or enclosure.

Fences must meet the following requirements:

- Can be up to 6ft tall in the rear and side yard and cannot extend beyond the front building line.
- Can be up to 42in tall in the shore yard, and must be 10ft from the Ordinary High Water Mark.
- In the street yard, fences can be up to 42in tall, must be set back 6in from the property line, and must be made from decorative, natural materials.
- Cannot be placed in any location that creates potentially hazardous sight-line situations and cannot be placed in the City right-of-way or easement.
- Gates shall swing in toward the lot on which the fence is placed.
- Structural elements, like fence posts, must be oriented to face the interior of the lot on which the fence is placed.



\*\*It is recommended that you contact the [Digger's Hot-line](#) before installing a fence on your property.



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