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## FENCE GUIDE

### PERMIT PROCEDURE:

- Submit completed [Building Permit Application](#)
- Contractor Registration must be completed. All contractors must be registered with the City of Oak Forest prior to issuance of the permit.  
Click the following link to learn about how to register as a contractor: [Contractor Registration](#)
- Provide signed contract including fence style, material, and height.
- Provide copy of Plat of Survey indicating exact location fence will be placed.

### ZONING REQUIREMENTS:

- Fences are permitted in interior side and rear yards.
- Maximum fence height in residential areas is 6'.
- Check your subdivision covenants for special fencing requirements.

### CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS:

- All fences shall be constructed so that structural elements, if any, are located on the side of the fence facing toward the property on which the fence is constructed. Finish side shall face adjacent properties.
- Fence, including posts, must be within your property line. Homeowners are responsible for their property lines.
- Post Holes must be a minimum 42" deep.
- Fences shall be constructed to provide sufficient support and stability to resist wind loads and maintain its form.
- All excess dirt must be removed from the property.
- Utility boxes should remain within fence line unless not feasible due to location of boxes or buried wires. If final installation has boxes outside fence line, maintenance responsibility of property remains the homeowners'.
- Call [J.U.L.I.E.](#) prior to digging. Simply call 811.

### INSPECTIONS REQUIRED:

- Post Hole – 42" Deep
- Final Inspection

### FEES:

- Permit: \$135.00
- Failed, missed and/or re-inspections: \$60.00