

“Home Improvements” If You Want To Construct A Fence

Many home improvements projects are subject to community zoning and building code restrictions and do require a permit. This information sheet has been written to help you with your construction project. It lists the information needed to be submitted with an application for your specific project.

IMPORTANT NOTE – It is vitally important that all projects be accompanied with site/plot plans (plot plans can generally be found with the legal documents on your property. Sometimes they may be referred to as site plans or mortgage surveys).

Please submit the following information:

- Submit a copy of your site/plot plan.
- Indicate the location of the proposed fence on your plot plan.
- Indicate the type of fence material proposed, i.e.; wood, chain link, wrought iron, etc.
- Indicate the height of the proposed fence.
- Fill out the building permit application.
- You will be required to call for a final inspection after the work is complete.

Important Note –

In Zoning Districts E, R-1, R-1M and R-2, fences shall not be higher than three 3’ feet-6” six inches in the front yard (42”), six 6’ feet in the side yard, and eight 8’ feet in the rear yard, provided sight distance shall be maintained on corner lots.

Fences located in the front yard cannot encroach into the public right-of-way. Additionally, chain link fences or similar material are not permitted in the front yard. Fences in the front yard may be wrought iron, split rail, or a picket type fence.

Construction permit applications can be obtained in the Community Development Department located at 300 East Pearl Street, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, or online at www.ci.harrisonville.mo.us. Our telephone number is 380-8958 if you have any questions or would like to request an inspection.

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