

FENCE PERMIT APPLICATION

Pursuant to F.S. 553.721 & F.S. 468.631, a surcharge fee will be collected on any permit regulated under the FBC.

Job Address	Application Number
Legal Description	
Use of existing structure(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential Fence Material: <input type="checkbox"/> Wood <input type="checkbox"/> Chain Link <input type="checkbox"/> Block Wall <input type="checkbox"/> Vinyl <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Fence Height: <input type="checkbox"/> Four Foot (4ft) <input type="checkbox"/> Six Foot (6ft) <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ Fence Location* : <input type="checkbox"/> Front Yard <input type="checkbox"/> Side Yard <input type="checkbox"/> Corner Side Yard <input type="checkbox"/> Rear Yard <small>*Accurate boundary survey required showing all existing improvements (including building footprint, driveway, swimming pool, etc.) with location of fence/wall and any gates. Plan details required for block wall footings and/or retaining walls and any portion of fencing above 6ft in height.</small>	
Total Value (Materials and Labor) \$	Additional Description, if any:

WARNING TO OWNER: YOUR FAILURE TO RECORD A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MAY RESULT IN YOUR PAYING TWICE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO YOUR PROPERTY. A NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT MUST BE RECORDED AND POSTED ON THE JOB SITE BEFORE THE FIRST INSPECTION. IF YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN FINANCING, CONSULT WITH YOUR LENDER OR AN ATTORNEY BEFORE RECORDING YOUR NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT.

Property Owner Name	
Owner's Authorized Agent (If Applicable)	
Mailing Address	
Phone Number	E-Mail

Signature of Owner _____
 Print Name _____
 STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF _____
 Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this
 _____ day of _____, 20__

 Notary Public Signature and Print Notary Commissioned Name
 Personally Known / Identification Type _____ (Affix Notary Seal)

Fence Company Name	
Qualifier/License Holder Name	FL Certification Number
Mailing Address	
Phone Number	E-Mail

Signature of Contractor _____
 Print Name _____
 STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF _____
 Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this
 _____ day of _____, 20__

 Notary Public Signature and Print Notary Commissioned Name
 Personally Known / Identification Type _____ (Affix Notary Seal)

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE: OFFICE USE ONLY

Applicable Codes: **FLORIDA BUILDING CODE, 6TH EDITION (2017)**

Approved Disapproved Approved w/ Conditions Review Initials/Date: _____
 Routed to PW Routed to BES

Zoning District _____ **Conditions/Comments:** _____

FENCE GUIDELINES AND PERMIT APPLICATION

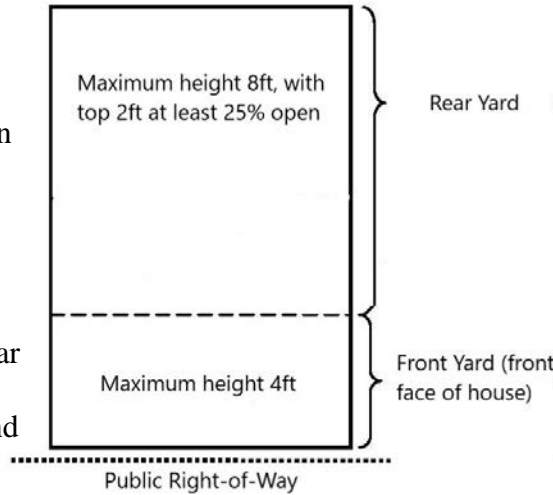
City Code requires permits for the replacement of fences on private property. The diagrams and guidelines below help explain the requirements. Your permit application should provide adequate information about your proposed fence for the plans reviewer to determine whether it meets the requirements.

Residential Zoning Districts-Height and Opacity Limits

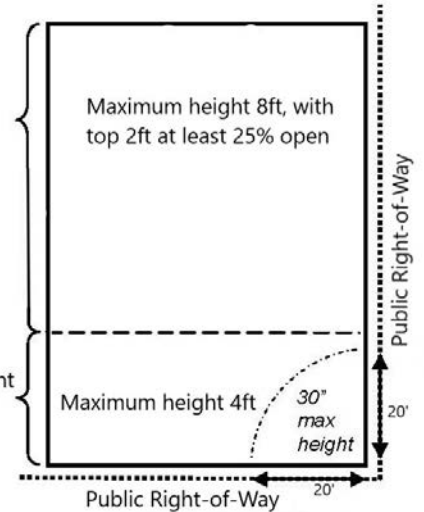
Front Yard/Front Face of House: Any fence within this area may be upto 4 feet in height. Required front yard setbacks vary by district. **EXCEPTION:** For corner lots, a fence may be no higher than 30 inches within the first 20 feet on either side of the corner intersection.

Rear Yard: Any fence within this area may be upto 8 feet in height, but any portion above 6 feet must remain 25% open. **EXCEPTION:** A fence in the rear yard of any oceanfront lot in an RS-1 zoning district shall not exceed three and one-half (3-1/2) feet in height.

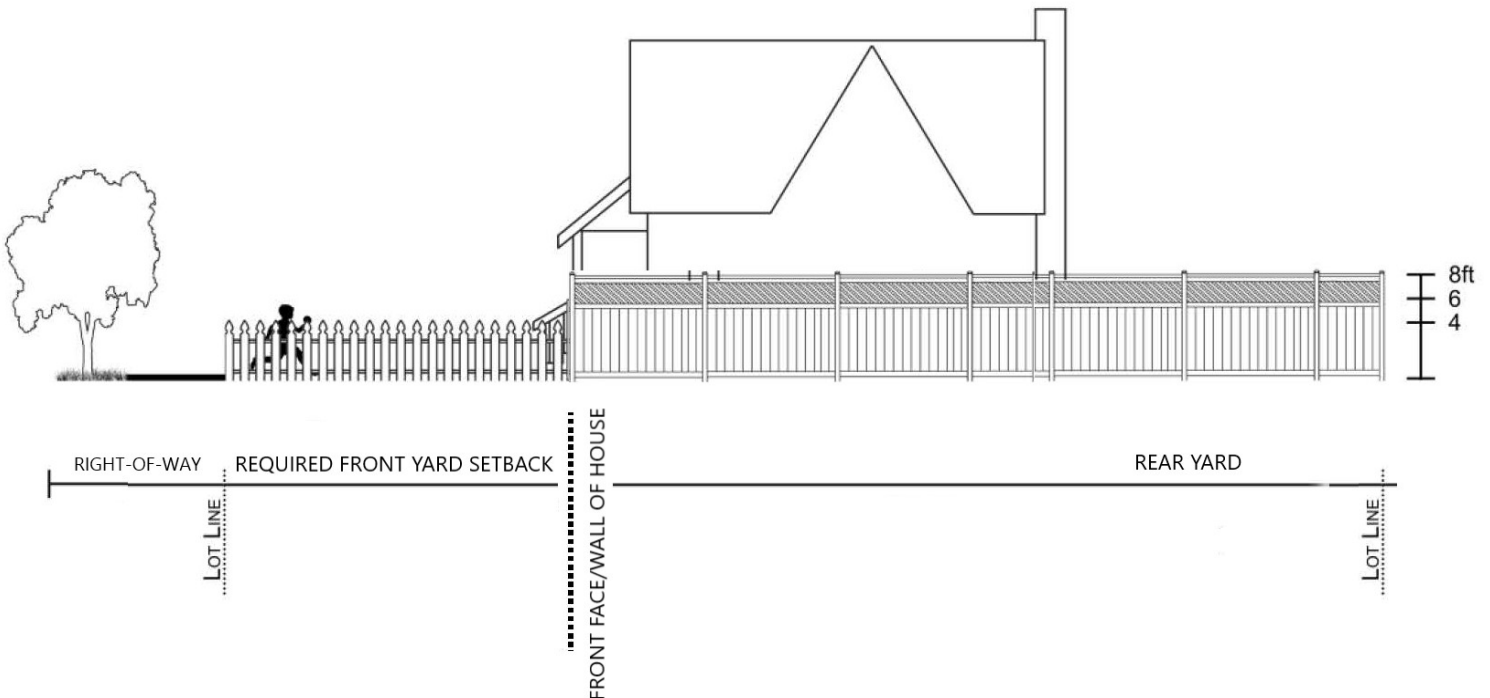
Typical Residential Lot



Corner Residential Lot



Side-View of a Typical Residential Lot



Other Important Information:

- Separate Home Owner's Association or Architectural Review Board approvals may be required
- Fences cannot obstruct access to utility meters
- Separate approval from the Public Works Department is required for any fencing erected outside of private property
- Additional approvals may be required if proposed fencing will be erected within a utility easement

Sec. 34-406. Fences.

- (a) *Material; use of barbed wire.* Fences shall be constructed of wood, masonry, chain link wire or other aesthetically desirable materials approved by the planning and development director. Barbed wire shall not be permitted in residential zoning districts. When permitted, barbed wire shall be located at the top of the fence, being not less than six (6) feet in height. If installed so that the barbed wire inclines outward, no portion may encroach into an adjacent property.
- (b) *Height restrictions.*
- (1) Except as provided for in this division or as modified by the other provisions of the LDC, all fences in and around the front yard of any lot shall not exceed four (4) feet. A fence in the rear yard of any oceanfront lot in an RS-1 zoning district shall not exceed three and one-half (3 1/2) feet in height.
 - (2) An eight-foot, nonopaque chainlink fence may be erected along the property line of any recreational facility owned or leased by a school, church, or unit of government.
 - (3) Chainlink fences for public or private tennis courts shall not be required to comply with height regulations. Windscreens may be installed provided that visibility at intersections of public rights-of-way is not impaired. Fences for private tennis courts shall be constructed within the required setbacks for accessory uses in the particular zoning district in which the fence is located.
 - (4) A fence located in a side or rear yard, except rear yards of oceanfront lots in the RS-1 zoning district, may be constructed at a height not to exceed eight (8) feet provided that the following requirements are met:
 - a. All fences installed pursuant to this subsection shall be constructed of wood, masonry, or other aesthetically pleasing material. In no case shall fences constructed of chainlink wire fabric be permitted to exceed six (6) feet in height.
 - b. Any portion of said fence in excess of six (6) feet in height shall be constructed in a manner which provides openings to allow the free flow of air through that portion of the fence. The openings shall be evenly distributed with the pertinent portion of the fence and shall equal not less than twenty-five (25) percent of the aggregate surface area of the portion of the fence which exceeds six (6) feet in height.
 - (5) *Security fences.*
 - a. An eight-foot high security fence may be installed in the front, side and rear yard of any government use or essential public service facility in any zone, provided that a clear sight distance as required by sections 34-395 and 34-425(h) is maintained. Any barbed wire shall be located at the top of the fence. If installed so that the barbed wire inclines outward, no portion may encroach into an adjacent property.
 - b. A six-foot high non-opaque chainlink fence may be installed for security purposes in the front yard of any lot which is not located in a developed area. As a condition to receipt of a permit, any fence constructed in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph shall be removed after the block or tract is seventy-five (75) percent developed.

- (c) *Impairment of visibility at intersections prohibited.* Clear sight distance shall be maintained at the intersections of streets, alleys, and curbcuts in accordance with section 34-425(h).
- (d) *Enclosure of swimming pool.* All swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence of not less than four (4) feet in height equipped with a gate which shall have a self-closing and self-locking device for keeping the gate securely closed at all times when not in actual use. The fence and gate shall not be required if entry to the pool by any person other than those residing or renting sleeping quarters on the property containing the pool is prevented by a wall, buildings, structures, or any other substitute devices so long as the degree of protection is not less than the protection afforded by the fence, gate, and latch described herein.
- (e) *Enclosure of pits and excavation.* All borrow pits and similar excavations shall be completely enclosed with a fence not less than six (6) feet in height and constructed so as to prevent entry by the general public.
- (f) *Approval by the planning and development department required.* All fences are to be approved by the planning and development director.
- (g) *Fences to be maintained and repaired.* All fences shall be maintained in a good state of repair and structurally sound condition, including but not limited to, painting and repainting; replacement of missing, decayed, corroded, or damaged component parts, and keeping in plumbing. Failure to so maintain and repair said fence may result in the fence being declared a nuisance and abated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 19 of the Jacksonville Beach Code.