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# Application for Residential Fence Permit

Revised March 5, 2009



Property Information	
Site Address	
Parcel ID(s)	Zoning District
Township	

Applicant Information	
Name/Company Name	
Address	
Phone #	Fax #
Email	

Property Owner Information	
Name/Company Name	
Address	
Phone #	Fax #
Email	

Fence Information	
Height _____ ft.	Length _____ ft.
Setback from Property Line _____ ft.	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Repair

Type of Fence			
<input type="checkbox"/> Vinyl	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood	<input type="checkbox"/> Chain-Link	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
Fence Description:			

Staff Use Only	
RZ #	
Approved / Denied	
Date filed:	Floodplain (Y/N)
Fee paid:	Requirements met (Y/N)
Receipt #	Corner Lot (Y/N)
Received by:	Variance Req.
Staff Comments	

Document Submission	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fee Payment (Checks Only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Signed Application
<input type="checkbox"/>	Site map (to scale) indicating placement of all sections of fence on property as well as height and materials used (2 copies)

Applicant's Statement	
Applicant certifies that all information contained herein is true and accurate and is submitted to induce the issuance of a certificate of zoning compliance. Applicant agrees to be bound by the provisions of the Franklin County Zoning Resolution.	
_____ Applicant's Signature	
_____ Date	

**ARTICLE V  
GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

**SECTION 500 - GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS ADOPTED**

**500.01 - GENERAL REGULATION OF THE ARRANGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF LAND AND STRUCTURES** - Standards pertaining generally and uniformly to the arrangement and development of land and structures within the Zoning Districts adopted in ARTICLE II are hereby established and adopted as supplementary to the District Regulations of ARTICLE III and ARTICLE IV.

**SECTION 501 FENCE REQUIREMENTS**

**501.01 – FENCES, WALLS AND LANDSCAPING** – Fences, walls, and landscaping shall be permitted in any required yard, or along the edge of any yard, subject to the following requirements:

**501.012 – Height** - No fence or wall between a street and a principal structure shall be more than three and one half (3½) feet (42 inches) in height. Elsewhere, no fence shall exceed six (6) feet in height. These height requirements are subject to the following exceptions:

- a) Requirements outlined in SECTION 521, ARTICLE V, REQUIRED SCREENING, or
- b) Requirements in accordance with an approved Development Plan of a Planned Development District.

**501.014 – Location, Measurement and Maintenance**

- a) No fence or wall shall be located within an existing right-of-way.
- b) Fence height shall be measured from the finished grade at the higher side of the fence.
- c) Fences shall be erected with the finished side out; meaning the side of the fence with the posts on it must face the applicant's property.
- d) Fencing must be properly maintained and in good repair at all times.

**501.016 – Certificate of Zoning Compliance required** - No fence shall be erected without a zoning certificate as provided for in SECTION 705.02 - CERTIFICATE OF ZONING COMPLIANCE.

**501.018 – Repair of Existing Fences** – For minor fence repair, if the fence meets all the requirements of Section 501 and the materials, height and location do not vary from the materials, height and location of the fence being repaired, a zoning certificate is not required.

**501.020 – Swimming Pool fences** - All swimming pools must be completely enclosed by a fence. The fence height shall be a minimum of four (4) feet (48 inches) in height as required by the 2006 International Building Code.

**501.022 – Tennis Court fences** - In the event of a conflict between this Section 501.020 and any other requirement of SECTION 501 FENCE REQUIREMENTS, this Section 501.020 shall control. All tennis courts must comply with the following requirements.

- a) Tennis courts must have a fence along each end, with a minimum height of eight (8) feet with a maximum height of ten (10) feet.
- b) Any other fence associated with a tennis court shall comply with the provisions of Section 501

**501.024 – Fence Materials** - All fences, regardless of whether or not a zoning certificate is required for their construction, that are constructed, repaired, expanded, or enlarged, shall be constructed only of approved fence materials. Fence materials are also subject to the requirements of Section 501.013.

- a) Approved fence materials shall consist of materials normally manufactured for, used as, and recognized as, fencing materials such as: wrought iron or other decorative metals suitable for the construction of fences, masonry, concrete, stone, metal tubing, wood planks, and vinyl or fiberglass composite manufactured specifically as fencing materials that are approved by the Administrative Officer.
- b) Chain link fences shall not be permitted between a street and a principal structure

**501.012 – Corner Lots and Double-Frontage Lots**– In the event a property is situated adjacent to two (2) or more streets, the following shall apply:

- a) Setback and height requirements of Sections 501.012 to 501.014 shall apply to all streets.

**501.013 – Electric and Barbed Wire Fences** – Electric and barbed wire fences shall be prohibited unless otherwise permitted by Section 971.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

***Fence Height and Location Standards***

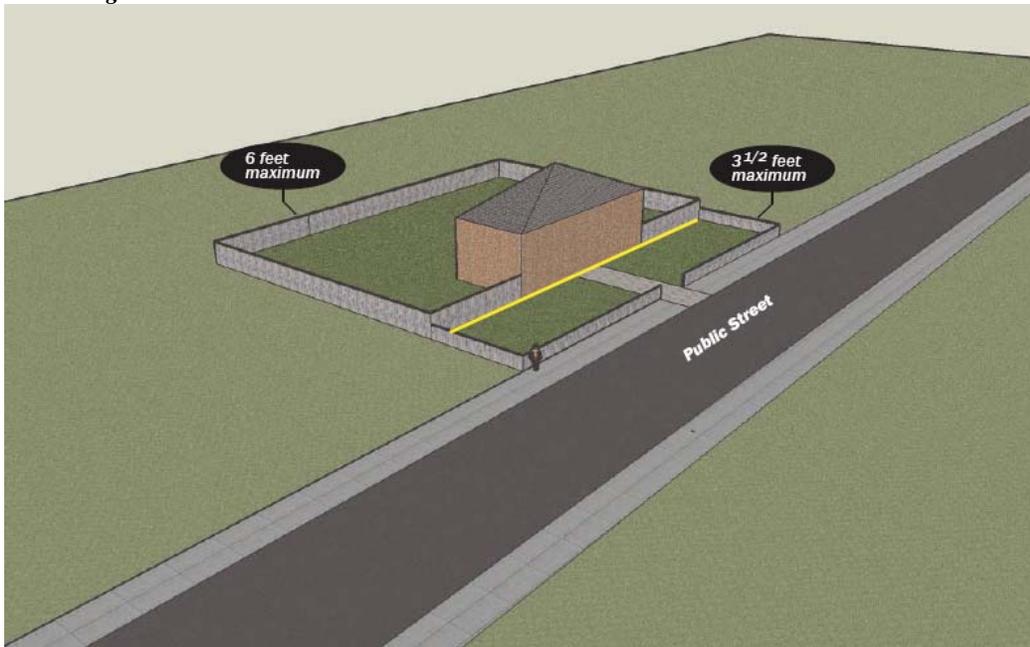


Illustration of maximum fence height for properties fronting only one public street

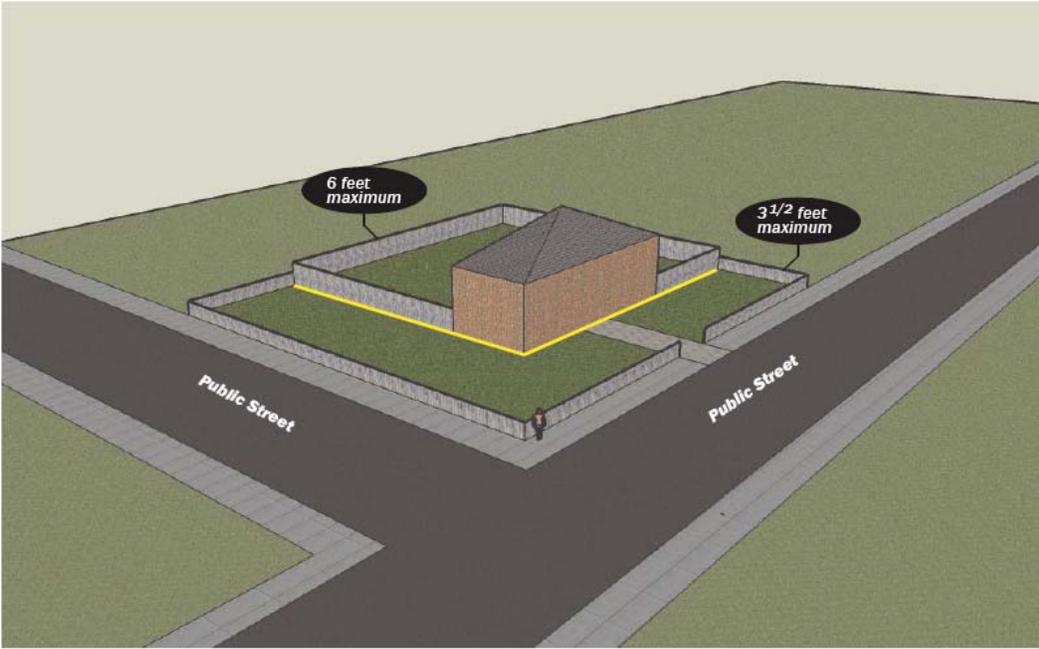


Illustration of maximum fence height for properties fronting more than one public street