

CITY OF NEENAH

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FENCES AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES

Permits

No fence shall be built, enlarged, or altered within the City, unless, a permit is first obtained by the owner or his agent from the Building Inspector. A sketch or design of the proposed fence shall be submitted to the Building Inspector for approval before construction begins. The fee for a fence permit is \$20.00

General Provisions

Fences, walls, and other similar structures anchored to the ground shall be considered permanent structures and shall be subject to the following:

Any such structure placed in the required side or rear yards as defined in Chapter 26.3 shall not exceed 6 feet in height. Also, remember that without your neighbor's permission, such structures and related excavations can go up to but not on or over the property line.

Any such structure placed in the actual front yard or shore yard as defined in Chapter 26.3 shall not exceed 3 feet in height with the following exceptions:

- 1. Chain link fences open to vision 75% or more may be increased to 4 feet in height.
- On lots with double frontage such structures shall conform to the front yard requirements for both streets, except where one street is officially designated "No Access".
- 3. Side yard boundary fences up to 6 feet in height may extend forward up to, but not further than, the average front or shore yard setback for the block.

Electrically charged or barbed wire fencing shall not be allowed unless specifically permitted by this code.

SNOW FENCES With the exception of the following, snow fences are prohibited when used as permanent fencing. Snow fencing is allowed as a temporary use without a building permit from October 15 through April 15 or to barricade active construction sites, for school and park grounds (not as perimeter fencing), and for crowd control and other special events at the discretion of the Building Inspector.

Corner Lots

Fence requirements are more complicated for corner lots and this information should be obtained directly from our Inspection Staff.

