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A map of your property can be found at https://gis.ci.neenah.wi.us/parcelviewer/

FENCES AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES

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 site plan of the proposed fence location shall be submitted to the Building Inspector for approval before construction begins. The site plan shall include the following: material type, height, length, and overall cost.

General Provisions

Fences, walls, and other similar structures anchored to the ground shall be considered permanent structures. These structures and related excavations can go up to but not on or over the property line. The owner of the property is responsible for verifying the location of the property lines. These structures are subject to the following requirements:

1) Any such structure placed in the side or rear yards shall not exceed 6 feet in height.

2) Any such structure placed in the actual front yard or actual shore yard shall not exceed 3 feet in height with the following exceptions:
   - 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 actual front or actual shore yard setback.

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

5) Materials prohibited for use include but are not limited to, aluminum siding, vehicle parts, chicken wire, cloth or plastic tarps, scrap wood or any other material not customarily sold for fencing or deemed inappropriate by the Director of Community Development.

6) All fences and walls shall be maintained in a structurally sound condition and in good repair. Fences and walls shall be free from loose or rotting materials and shall have braces and supports attached or fastened in accordance with common building practices.

Snow Fences

Snow fencing is allowed as a temporary use without a building permit from October 15 through April 15. Snow fence can also be used as a barricade for active construction sites, for school or park grounds (not as perimeter fencing), as well as for crowd control and other special events at the discretion of the Building Inspector. Snow fences are prohibited as a permanent fence or any other use then listed above.

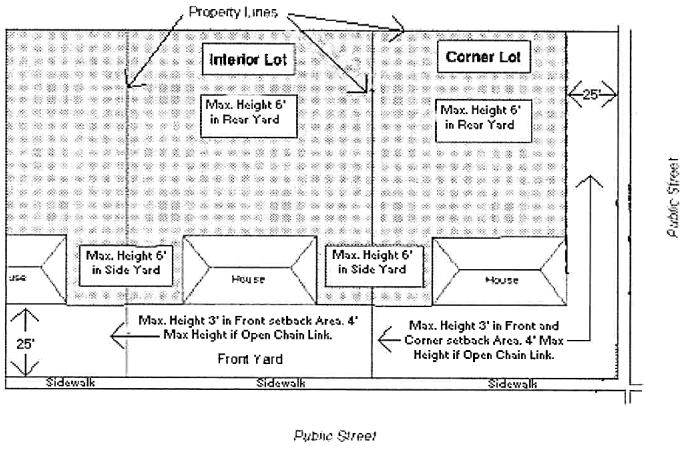
Corner Lots

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

Permit Fee

Please reference the City of Neenah Inspections website for a complete fee list.

Fence Location Information



Public Street

ITEMS REQUIRED FOR PERMIT APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

- Site plan showing entire lot, proposed fence locations, height and material (sample provided in this handout)

BEWARE OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY WIRES

Please remember that there may be underground electric, phone, or cable T.V. wires buried on your property generally in 5' or 6' wide easements on your side and rear lot lines. Please call the Digger's Hotline before you do any digging on your property. **DIGGERS HOTLINE: (800) 242-8511**

This information is only a general guide to help you plan a building project. While we have made an attempt to answer the questions most often asked of this department, your situation may not be included. Please feel free to call or stop in the office with any questions you may have. Please feel free to call or email with any questions you may have. 920-886-6130 or inspections@neenahwi.gov


MAXIMUM 6'-0" TALL IN SIDE & REAR YARDS
REAR PROPERTY LINE
SIDE PROPERTY LINE
MAXIMUM 3'-0" TALL IN FRONT YARD
OR 4'-0" WITH A CHAIN LINK FENCE
FRONT YARD
INTERIOR LOT
CORNER LOT
SIDEWALK
STREET