

FENCE
CITY OF WATERTOWN



PERMIT
Bureau of Code Enforcement

Inspection required upon installation
Call 315-785-7735

Zoning District _____

Fence Address: _____ **Owner & Ph#** _____

Contractor & Ph# _____ **Address/City/ST/Zip:** _____

Contractor's insurance on file? Yes ___ No ___ **Diagram of Fence Attached** Yes ___ No ___



Fence Type: _____ **Fence Material:** _____

Fence Height (at highest point) _____ **Fence Location:** _____

***A Street line – A lot line separating a street from the abutting property-the front yard line starts at the inside or house side of a sidewalk, or in absence of a sidewalk, the street line**

All work shall comply with the Code of the City of Watertown, § 310-26.1:

A. No person, firm or corporation shall commence the erection, construction, or alteration of any fence without first applying for, and obtaining, a fence permit from Code personnel for each such fence.

B. Application for a fence permit shall be made to Code personnel on forms provided by Code personnel and shall contain the information requested on such forms plus any additional information as may be determined as necessary by Code personnel for duly processing such application.

C. All applications shall be signed by the owner of the real property upon which such work is to be performed. Where such application is made by a person other than the owner, it shall be accompanied by written authorization of the owner that the proposed work is authorized by the owner and that the applicant is authorized to make such application.

D. In all districts, except Light and Heavy Industrial Districts, no fence shall be more than six feet in height, except as otherwise restricted below. In Light and Heavy Industrial Districts no fence shall be more than eight feet in height.

E. Fences located less than 20 feet from a street line shall not be more than four feet in height, except in Light and Heavy Industrial Districts.

F. The height of a fence shall not include post finials extending above the fence.

G. Fences located less than 20 feet from a street line shall be of an open design such as ornamental iron, split rail or picket where the ratio between space and fence material is at least 1:1, except as otherwise restricted below.

H. Fences shall not be located within a triangular shaped area on either side of a driveway, which is delineated and measured starting from a point located at the intersection of the driveway edge and the sidewalk (or street line in the absence of a sidewalk) a distance of 10 feet along the sidewalk (or street line) and 10 feet along the driveway and a line connecting the end points of the two lines, except for fences having a ratio between space and fence material of greater than or equal to 4:1 and as otherwise restricted below. (Also see § 310-27, Visibility at corners.) **Diagram of Fence.**

I. Fences located less than 20 feet from a street line shall not be located less than five (5) feet from a neighbor's driveway or a shared driveway.

J. The side of the fence facing away from the fence owner's property shall have a finished quality

K. Chainlink fences shall not be located less than 20 feet from a street line, except in Light and Heavy Industrial Districts.

L. Electric fences shall not be allowed.

M. Barbed-wire fences shall not be allowed, except on top of chain link fences at least six feet in height in Light and Heavy Industrial Districts.

N. Ornamental landscaping features, such as stone walls, retaining walls and planters, less than 36 inches in height shall be considered decorative features and not fences.

§ 310-27 Visibility at corners. No structure, fence or shrubbery over three feet in height shall be maintained on any corner lot within a triangular shaped area which is formed and measured starting from a point located at the intersection of the two street lines to the points on such lines a distance of 40 feet from their intersection and a line connecting such points.

Owner signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Or (designee listed on authorization)

For Office Use Only: Permit# _____ **Fee** _____ **Receipt#** _____

Inspector Signature: _____ **Granted/Denied** _____ **Date:** _____

Comments: _____ **Revised 3/12/2020**