



Requirements for Residential Fence Permit

Village of Little Chute Inspections Department

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The purpose of the pamphlet is to help expedite the approval of your fence permit application. The installation of a fence is an allowed accessory under [Section 44-394](#) of the Little Chute Code of Ordinances. In this section a fence is defined as an enclosed barrier consisting of vegetation, wood, stone, metal, or other material intended to prevent ingress or egress to the property. The term "fence" shall include plantings, such as hedges and shrubbery.

Permits Required

Before any work is started on the installation of a fence you are required to complete an application for permit. You should have information as to the installer of the fence if you are contracting this out. This would include the company name, address and phone number. A contact name is also helpful in the event that any questions may arise.

In addition to the application for permit, a plot plan detailing the proposed fence is required. A plot plan is a scaled drawing detailing the location of the structures on your lot and their relation to the lot lines. In this drawing you will include your home, garage, and shed or other structures. The size for this drawing shall not be less than 8x10 inches in size. An example of a plot plan for a fence has been included in the back of this pamphlet.

Construction Requirements

1. Height of fence is regulated. No fence located within the required 25-foot front yard setback shall be greater than 42 inches in height. In a corner lot this would include both yards adjacent to the streets. The maximum actual measured height of any fence located behind the required front setback shall not be greater than 6 feet in total height.
2. Setback distances. In a residential area fence are allowed to be set along the lot lines, but shall not straddle the lot line. If the lot is a corner lot at a controlled intersection (stop sign or other traffic controls are present) there is a requirement for a sight triangle of 15 feet along the lot line of each street. If there is a utility easement contact the appropriate utility for any additional requirements.
3. Materials. No fence shall be constructed of unsightly or dangerous materials, which would constitute a nuisance. Electrified, barbed wire or razor wires are not allowed. All fences are required to be maintained and the finished or decorative side of the fence shall face the adjoining property.
4. Temporary fences. A temporary fence may be constructed to protect plantings, construction hazards and similar items. The fence shall be clearly visible, or shall be marked with colored streamers or other warning devices on 4-foot intervals. These fences are required to comply with all setback requirements. No permit is required, but they may not be in place for more than 45 days.

Note: A plot plan may be hand drawn

