

## Fences



### Village of Hoffman Estates

Code Enforcement  
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Hoffman Estates, IL 60169  
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**NOTE:** Repair or replacement of less than 16 feet of existing fence is exempt from permit.

#### Submittal Requirements:

- A plat of survey must be submitted with the fence location indicated with X's (as shown below).

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- Setbacks from the nearest property line must be indicated. Further review may be required for corner lots.
- A copy of the contract or Scope of Work form indicating the material, style, length, and height of the fence must be submitted.

#### Code Requirements:

- Location
  - Fences are allowed up to the property line in the rear and side yards (corner lot fences are allowed under limited conditions).
  - Be certain of your property line location so that the fence does not encroach onto your neighbor's property. Installer must locate property corners or the inspection cannot be approved.
  - Fences are allowed up to the building line in the front yard but not extend past the front of the primary structure.
  - All fences must be erected so that posts and supports face towards the owner's property.
  - Decorative fences are permitted in the front yard at lot corners, as long as they do not exceed 8 feet in length, 4 feet in height, and are 80% open.
- Height
  - Fences may not exceed 6 feet in height.
  - Decorative fence post caps may not exceed 4 inches in height.
- Materials
  - Barbed wire and electrically charged fences are not permitted.
  - Chain link fabric must be installed with the barbed end facing down.
  - Contractor and company signs are not permitted to be placed on fences.
  - Fences must be properly maintained. Any damaged or leaning sections must be repaired or replaced.
- The village does not regulate fence post hole depth.

#### Inspection:

- A final inspection is required upon completion of work.