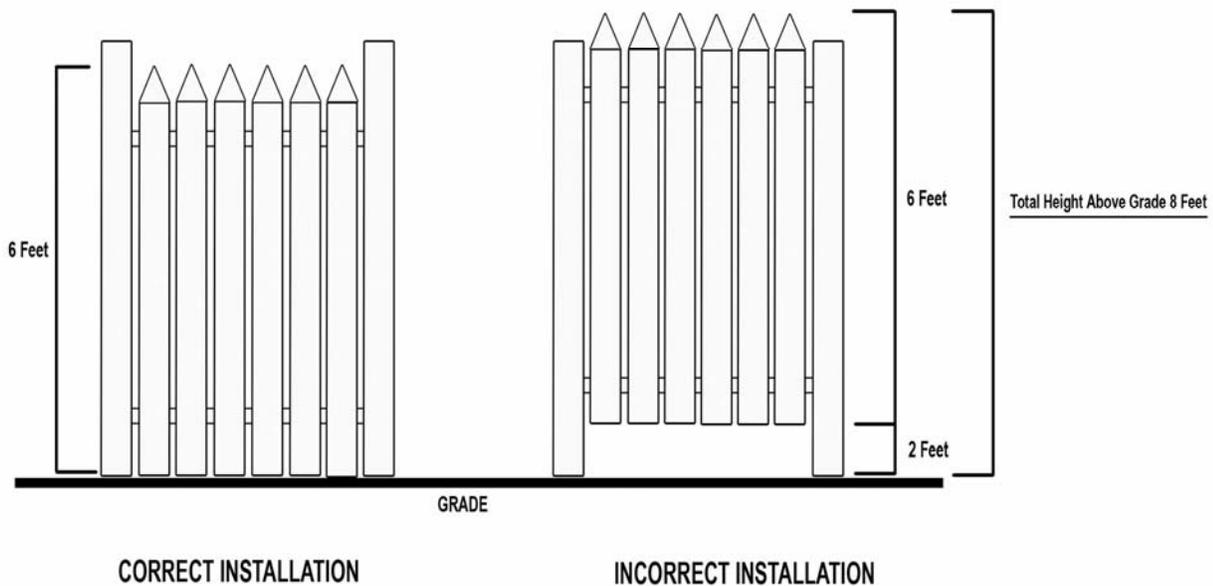


Fences – Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need a building permit? Generally No, unless there are wetland issues, or other unusual circumstances**.

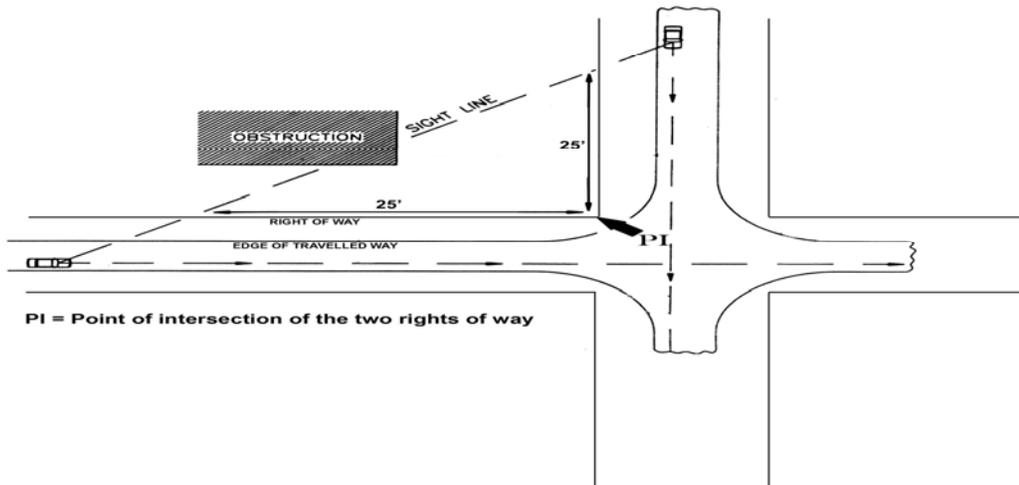
How high can my fence be? Up to 6 ft high. (However, if the fence is on the corner of a street the “Corner Lot Visual Clearance” Section III D.d. of the Zoning Bylaw applies. See below*) This measurement is taken from the lowest ground on either side of the fence.



Height of fence measured from grade to top of fence panel. Grade may not be raised by artificial means.

***Section III. D. d. Corner Lot Visual Clearance**

In any district no fence, wall, hedge or other structure or planting more than 2½ feet in height above the surface of the road shall be erected or maintained within the triangular area formed by the two street sidelines and a straight line connecting points on such lines twenty-five (25') from the point of intersection.~ This requirement shall not apply to buildings in the GB1 and Industrial Districts.



Where can I place my fence? Directly on the property line, but we advise homeowners to stay at least one foot inside their property line.

Do I have to put the “front” side of the fence toward my neighbor? No, placing the “front” side of the fence toward your neighbor is strictly a courtesy, and not regulated by the Town.

Do I need a building permit? Yes.

What is the fee? \$75 min.