SPRINGFIELD
NEBRASKA

BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

RESIDENTIAL FENCE

Construction of a fence requires a building permit from the City of Springfield. To obtain a building permit, please submit the following information to City Hall:

- Springfield Building Permit Application, including:
  - Name and contact information of the property owner(s)
  - Address, parcel number, and legal description of the property
  - Name and contact information of the contractor (person performing work)
  - Fence/Retain Wall checkbox checked
  - Total lineal feet of fence, ***including any gates***
  - Height of fence
  - Type & material of fence (e.g. picket, chain link, wood, steel, vinyl, etc.)
- Plot plans of the property showing the property lines, the location of the proposed fence with distances from the fence to all property lines and existing structures (e.g., house, garage, deck, etc.), lineal footage of each side of the fence.
  - Two (2) paper copies and one (1) electronic copy <u>if plans are larger than 11" X 17"</u>
- Picture of fence that will be installed

No fence may be constructed in front of the ***front yard*** setback line of your property. Front yard setback requirements differ by zoning district.

In a ***side or rear yard***, a fence may be built up to the actual property line. However, if the fence is placed on the actual property line, a neighboring property owner may legally attach to it.

A fence may be built along a ***street side yard*** provided that the structure shall be constructed on or within a five (5) foot setback from the property line.

No fence shall be built within the ***street corner visual triangle*** of land formed by lines beginning at the point of intersection of the two (2) street-side lot lines of the corner lot, then proceeding along such lines for a distance of twenty (20) feet, the third side of which triangle of land is formed by drawing a line between the two (2) points which are on the front lot lines, and are twenty (20) feet distant from the point of intersection of the two (2) front lot lines.

No portion of a fence can be built in a drainage easement.

If the property is located within a Sanitary Improvement District (SID), please have the developer approve the building plans and stamp/sign each copy. If the property is part of a homeowners association, please check with the association for covenant requirements and provide proof of approval.

For information on setback requirements for your property, please see Zoning Ordinance for applicable Zoning District or contact City Hall.

The City of Springfield Maintenance Department provides inspections for fences.

Master Fee Schedule: Valuation calculated based on per lineal foot charge.