

**SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP**  
**FENCE PERMIT**

APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTRACTOR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
CONTRACTOR BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CONTRACTOR EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CONSTRUCTION LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/ STATE / ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARCEL NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ NEIGHBORHOOD: \_\_\_\_\_  
IS THIS A STANDARD LOT CONFIGURATION? \_\_\_\_\_ YES OR \_\_\_\_\_ NO ----- IS THIS A CORNER LOT? \_\_\_\_\_ YES OR \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
IS THIS A FLAG SHAPED LOT? \_\_\_\_\_ YES OR \_\_\_\_\_ NO ----- MULTI STREET LOT? \_\_\_\_\_ YES OR \_\_\_\_\_ NO  
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PROVIDE A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF FENCE TYPE BEING INSTALLED: \_\_\_\_\_

FENCE HEIGHT (GROUND TO TOP): \_\_\_\_\_ FEET. TOTAL OVERALL LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_ FEET.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST(REQUIRED) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DISTANCE FROM REAR PROPERTY LINE IS: \_\_\_\_\_ FEET. DISTANCE FROM LEFT SIDE PROPERTY LINE IS: \_\_\_\_\_ FEET.

DISTANCE FROM RIGHT PROPERTY LINE IS: \_\_\_\_\_ FEET. IS THIS A FENCE REPLACEMENT/ ADDITION? \_\_\_\_\_

IS FENCE ON A PROPERTY LINE \_\_\_\_\_ IF YES, THEN A LETTER FROM ADJOINING PROPERTY OWNERS APPROVING FENCE LOCATION AND CARE / UPKEEP MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION. IF FENCE IS ON A CORNER LOT – THE SET BACK DISTANCE FROM EACH ROADWAY IS A MINIMUM OF 55 FEET FROM CENTER OF STREET OR 90 FEET IF THE STREET IS ON A STATE HIGHWAY OR COUNTY / TOWNSHIP NON-RESIDENTIAL ROADWAY.

ALL FENCES SHALL CONFORM TO DEED RESTRICTIONS, HOA RULES AND REGULATIONS, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOOD COVENANTS. IT IS THE HOMEOWNERS RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE PROPERTY LINES. DO NOT USE ALLEN COUNTY GIS MAPPING FROM AUDITOR'S OFFICE FOR PROPERTY LINE PLACEMENT. ONLY A PROFESSIONAL SURVEY CAN ACCURATELY DETERMINE PROPERTY LINES.

CONSTRUCTION IN ANY PROPERTY EASEMENT REQUIRES SPECIAL PERMITTING FROM THOSE AGENCIES UTILIZING THE EASEMENT AREA, SUCH AS AEP, DOMINION, SPECTRUM, VERIZON, ETC. OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTACTING THOSE AGENCIES FOR WRITTEN PERMISSION. PERMISSION LETTERS SHALL BE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION.

A SITE PLAN DRAWING IS REQUIRED (SEE PAGE 2), ALL STREETS IN VICINITY OF RESIDENCE SHALL BE INDICATED, LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL STRUCTURE, DRIVEWAY, ALL ACCESSORY STRUCTURES ON THE LOT, PROPERTY LINES CLEARLY INDICATED, LOCATION OF FENCE, DISTANCE FROM PROPERTY LINES CLEARLY SHOWN. AN INFORMATION PACKET FROM YOU CONSTRUCTOR OR SUPPLIER SHOWING THE FENCE MATERIALS USED, AND HEIGHT CLEARLY SHOWN ON THE INFORMATION. ALL FENCES SHALL BE UNIFORM IN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS.

ATTACHED ARE THE AMENDED FENCE REGULATIONS FOR FENCING, AS ADOPTED APRIL 12, 2021 AND IN EFFECT MAY 13, 2021. ALL APPLICATIONS PRECEEDING THIS LATEST REVISION SHALL BE RE-SUBMITTED ON THIS NEW FENCE APPLICATION. PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS BEING OUT DATED ARE NULL AND VOID.

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I UNDERSTAND THAT ANY FALSE, INACCURATE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN THIS BEING A VIOLATION OF SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP ZONING RESOLUTION, AND DENIAL OF APPLICATION. CIVIL AND/OR CRIMINAL PENALTIES CAN BE IMPOSED. I ADDITIONALLY UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CAN RESULT IN THE FENCE BEING ORDERED TO BE REMOVED FROM THE SITE SHOULD IT BE DECLARED A NUISANCE BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. MISSING INFORMATION OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN DENIAL OF PERMIT AND APPLICATION RETURNED BACK TO THE OWNER, UNTIL SUCH TIME THE INFORMATION IS PROVIDED.

**NOTE:** ANY CHANGES TO STYLE, CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL, SET BACK DISTANCES, ETC. SHALL BE REPORTED TO THE ZONING INSPECTOR AND AN AMENDMENT SHALL BE SENT BY THE OWNER TO THE ZONING INSPECTOR.

EFFECTIVE: MAY 13, 2021 – A FEE OF \$50.00 IS REQUIRED FOR ANY AND ALL FENCE PERMITS.

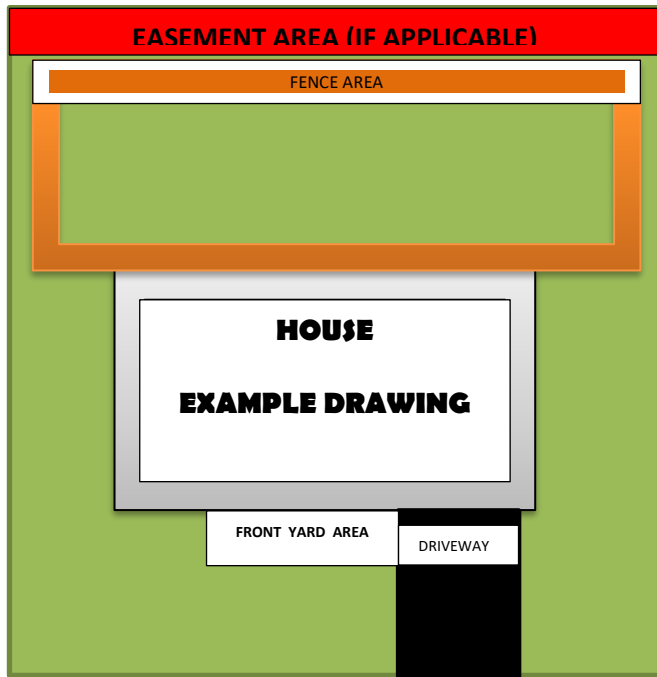
\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION IS:  APPROVED  DENIED

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ZONING INSPECTOR – SHAWNEE TOWNSHIP

PERMIT# \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

# FENCE PERMIT



IN BOX BELOW SHOW ALL STREETS, RESIDENCE, DRIVEWAY, ANY EXISTING STRUCTURES. SHOW ANY EASEMENT AREAS, FENCE LOCATION AND DISTANCES FROM ALL PROPERTY LINES.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for the applicant to provide a detailed site plan showing streets, residence, driveway, existing structures, easement areas, fence location, and distances from all property lines.

## **Fences are permitted in all Agricultural and Residential Districts, subject to the following conditions:**

### **Exemptions:**

- Agricultural style fences used for agricultural purposes shall be exempt from the following regulations but shall however comply with the standards and regulations in the Ohio Revised Code for "agricultural fencing".
- Fences constructed in a mixed zoned location, being Residential & Agricultural Mix; then construction shall be in accordance with their zoned designation where the construction of the fence is taking place.

### **Location:**

- No fence, wall, or hedge shall be constructed closer to any public street than the road right-of-way or in front of any property line and/or easement.
- The property owner shall assume responsibility for determining the legal, and proper placement of the fence, wall or hedge upon his/her property.
- Fences constructed on corner lots shall be required to have the same set back distance as required for front yards in the district in which such structure is located.
- Fences shall only be erected in the side or rear yard areas.
- Decorative split rail fencing may be located as near as the road right-of-way. Examples would be split rail post and rails marking the front corners of the property, low stone walls surrounding a front porch or patio or wood or stone retaining walls integrated into landscaping in a sloped yard are examples.
- Kentucky Three or Four-Panel Rail Agricultural Fencing may be constructed along the front and sideline of the parcel when the parcel is over 5 acres in size, within an "A" Agricultural zoned district. Fence height shall not exceed forty-eight-(48) inches in height.

### **Height:**

- Side and rear yard fences shall not exceed six (6) feet in height for residential uses.
- Decorative split rail fencing, low stone walls, and hedge fences shall not exceed four (4) feet in height for residential uses.
- Chain link fences shall not exceed four (4) feet in height, metal support posts shall not exceed four feet-six inches in height. Chain link fences shall only be erected in the side or rear yard.

### **Materials:**

- Fences may be constructed of wood, vinyl, brick, stone, steel, aluminum or other material as approved by Zoning Inspector. Fence construction shall have a unified appearance and constructed of same / similar building materials.
- Fences constructed of metal, aluminum, or other steel materials other than chain link shall be subject to review and approval by the Zoning Inspector. Fences and walls are interchangeable for purposes of this section.
- Fences shall not contain an electric charge.
- Barbed wire, razor wire, or any other type of anti-climbing wire shall only be used in the non-residential areas and then only when approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- Materials used for fences shall be of traditional fencing materials (wrought iron, chain link, pressure treated lumber, cedar, redwood, PVC, etc.) and shall be constructed of weather resistant materials or treated so that they are weather resistant.
- Individual fence panels (lumber, cedar, redwood) may be constructed uniformly in a vertical or horizontal fashion with finished or most decorative side of the fence facing away from the property.
- Soft fencing being plantings composed of ornamental grasses, flowering bushes, and perennial plants may be incorporated into the solid fencing scheme to soften the visual impact of fencing.
- Decorative hedge walls may be utilized along the side and front of the property, for privacy purposes. Decorative hedge walls may not exceed the height of (4) four feet; shall be set back inside the property lines to allow for growth and expansion so that it does not extend into adjoining properties; and shall be trimmed and maintained on regular basis.

### **Maintenance:**

- The fence, wall or hedge and the property surrounding both sides of the fence, wall or hedge shall be properly maintained at all times.

### **Certificate Required:**

- Fences and walls shall require a Zoning Certificate, and payment of applicable fees.

### **Sight Distance Requirements:**

- No fence, wall, or hedge planting shall interfere with visibility from a driveway. The Zoning Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer is hereby empowered to cause all such obstructions to be moved in the interest of the public safety.
- **No fence or wall may be placed such they interfere with street level sight visibility for 50 feet from any approach to an intersection.**
- No Fence, wall or hedge planting shall not be higher than (32) thirty-two inches within the "sight triangle". See Appendix A-09, Illustration I.

### **Additional Fence, Walls, and Hedge Standards:**

- On large residentially zoned estate type lots, open face decorative wrought iron fencing may be permitted on lots greater than two-(2) acres in size based on its integration within the landscaping scheme on a case-by-case basis and subject to site plan review and approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals. Chain link or panel / shadow box fencing would not be appropriate under this section.
- Mesh wire fence shall be permitted if incorporated into or an integral part of a wood rail fence.
- All fences on a parcel shall have a unified style.
- Guard rails shall not be used as fencing.
- Fencing around swimming pools – See Article 1708.2