

City of Belvidere Building Department

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Codes for Building Fences in Residential Districts

Height Restrictions

City

Front Yard: Fences and hedges shall not exceed 4 feet in height in front yards except on corner lots where height shall not exceed 3 ½ feet within 30 feet of the intersection of the nearest right-of-way lines. An exception is allowed for chain link & wrought iron type fencing which may be 4 feet in height up to any intersection, provided that the chain link or wrought iron fence is kept free of all vegetation or any other sight restrictions.

Sides & Back Yards: 7 ft. Maximum

Front Yard: Depends on zoning of property

SR-4 = 30 ft. & SR-6 = 20 ft.

Back Yard: Anything behind front yard.

If the property is on a corner there are 2 front yards.

*****Finished side of the fence must face out toward the exterior lot*****

**** Fences erected in easements are subject to removal****

Requirements for Permits

1. Site Plan sketch
 - Existing Structure
 - Proposed Fence (shown with dashed lines)
 - Dimensions from proposed fence to property lines
 - Height of fence & type (wood, chain link, etc.)
2. Value of Construction

***** Information in this handout is not complete. If you have any questions please feel free to call the City of Belvidere Building Department at 815-547-7177*****

NOTICE

From the City of Belvidere
Water Department

To All Homeowners

Homeowners, before installing a fence please contact the City of Belvidere Public Works Department at (815)544-9256. The remote reading device located on your home must be moved outside the fenced area. This is in accordance with ordinance 50.25 concerning accessibility. If you have any questions regarding this matter please call our Meter Department at the above number. Thank you.

Kim Richardson, Foreman
Belvidere Water/Sewer Meter Dept.
815-544-9256