

RESIDENTIAL FENCES

The Department of Building Safety has compiled this informational handout.

Frequently asked questions

Is a permit required to erect a fence on my property? Yes. There are general requirements for installing fences.

Please Note: The Department of Building Safety and Zoning do not review plans for compliance with subdivision covenant agreements. You should contact your homeowners association for specific restrictions.

Will my fence installation be inspected? Yes. Fence postholes must be inspected for proper depth prior to placement of concrete, and a final inspection of the completed fence installation.

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING TO OBTAIN A PERMIT

- Plat of Survey indicating location of fence
- Completed application for permit indicating type of fence, gate size and locations, fence material and total height from grade
- Fences should be erected up to, but not over, property lines
- Fence postholes must be a minimum of three (3) feet in depth, or ½ of the finished fence height above grade, whichever is greater.
- Where applicable, the most aesthetically pleasing and best-looking side of the fence shall be placed to face the outside of the owner's property

ONCE YOUR PERMIT IS ISSUED

The green building permit card must be posted so that it is visible from the street. It is your responsibility to call the Department of Building Safety to schedule the appropriate inspections. Call J.U.L.I.E. for assistance in locating utilities at 800/892-0123.

REQUIRED INSPECTIONS

Fence post holes for proper depth prior to placement of concrete

Final inspection of completed fence installation

Inspections must be called in 1 business day prior to inspection date before 4 pm