

FENCE INSTALLATION

**BEFORE ERECTING A FENCE
CHECK THE FOLLOWING BUILDING REQUIREMENTS
FOR COMPLIANCE TO CUDAHY'S CODE**

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- Permit is required.
- Fence must be a minimum 2' from alley pavement. In all other areas, fence may be constructed "up to" property line.
- Fence cannot extend beyond the front of any building.
- Corner Lots: A meeting can be arranged so that a representative from the Inspection Department can discuss the proposed corner location, type, and height of proposed fence, as well as consider such things as vision triangles for pedestrians or vehicular traffic, general layout, or other issues that may be unique to your location.
- Fencing shall be constructed with the finished or decorative side facing the adjacent or abutting property owner or public street. Fence posts shall be on the side of the fence facing the permit applicant's property.
- All fences shall be maintained in good repair and in structurally sound condition. All fences shall be constructed and maintained in good aesthetic condition and in such a manner and of such materials and colors so as not to adversely affect the value of adjoining property or property in the immediate neighborhood. No fence may be constructed or maintained which is detrimental to human life or safety or causes a traffic hazard. All

fences shall be constructed and maintained straight, plumb, and have an even height along its length, except for such deviations as are required by grade or design. Chain link fences shall not contain plastic privacy slats.

- In any district, the appropriate use of "reclaimed" material in the construction of a fence shall require Plan Commission approval.
- Electric fences shall not be permitted anywhere in the City.
- Barbed wire shall not be permitted anywhere in the city, except in industrial districts where security fences may include up to four (4) strands of barbed wire on top of the fence, provided that the barbed wire is stretched and not rolled and is at least eight (8) feet above grade with the vertical supports for the barbed wire either extending vertically or slanting inward away from the property line.
- The maximum height for fences in all districts, except industrial districts, shall be six (6) feet, measured from the ground level at the base of the fence to the top of the fence, excluding posts. The maximum height in industrial districts shall be eight (8) feet, measured from the ground level at the base of the fence to the top of the fence, excluding posts and any additional barbed wire on top of the fence. Total height, including barbed wire, shall not exceed 10 feet.

REMEMBER:

Proper placement and installation are your responsibility. If you are not sure ask us!

This informational sheet is not intended to be a "How to Install a Fence". It has been prepared to answer commonly asked questions. Proper location and construction is the responsibility of the owner or his designated agent. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE ASK (414-769-2211)