



Kane County Fence Permit Requirements

- A **privacy** fence requires a building permit. A privacy fence is defined as one that cannot be viewed through or over. Chain link, split rail, or other fences that can be seen through (when facing the fence) do not require permits from the building department but may require a Storm-water Permit – contact Water Resources at 630-232-3497 for additional information.
- A fence can be placed up to the lot line with the front side facing either direction. There is currently no height limit, but fences must be structurally sound and stable.
- Zoning Ordinance: Sec. 7.5-3: Within one hundred feet (100') of the centerline of any intersecting road, street or railroad at grade, no fence or hedge which cannot be viewed through or over from a three foot (3') height above the traveled roadway shall be constructed, planted or allowed to grow nearer to the road or street center line than the dimensions set forth in Sec. 7.5-2. No fence equipped with or having barbed wire, spikes or any similar device, or any electrically charged fence, sufficient to cause shock, shall be erected, placed or maintained on or within any lot used for residential purposes.
- In cases where fences are required and proposed as part of the barrier for a swimming pool, the fence type and location should be included in the application for the swimming pool permit.
- Fences proposed in utility easements are strongly discouraged. The County reserves the right to require approval letters from all utilities located in that easement.
- Fences proposed in drainage easements will not be allowed unless the owner can prove that the fence will not impede the flow of Stormwater
- No fences of any type will be allowed in the floodway. Fences in the floodplain require permitting from Kane County Water Resources and are issued on a case-by-case review.

Fence Permit Submittal Requirements:

- Building permit application
- Plat of Survey with fence line marked with an “X” along the fence line. If Plat is not available, please use an Aerial photo of the property and mark the location of the fence on it. If an Aerial photo is used, the Site Plan Waiver request form must also be submitted.
- Copy of the signed contract with customer stating full amount of payment (If applicable)