5.3 Fence Standards

These standards apply to fences in all Zoning Districts.

A. Fences cannot be erected or altered in a manner that obstructs the vision of a vehicle driver (5.9 Vision Clearance). Fences may be built directly along lot lines; however, fences must not encroach into rights-of-way, nor into easements prohibiting the installation of fences (e.g., drainage and utility easements).

B. Height Limitations:

- 1. Fence height is measured from the top of the fence to the finish grade adjacent to the fence. Any fence placed upon mound, berm, or masonry wall is measured from the top of the fence to the finish grade at the base of the mound, berm, or wall.
- 2. Fences located within a required side, street side, or rear yard of a residential lot cannot exceed 6 feet in height.
- 3. Fences located within a required or established front yard of a residential lot cannot exceed 42 inches in height.
- 4. Open wire mesh fences surrounding sports facilities, such as tennis courts and baseball diamond backstops, may be erected to a height of 16 feet.
- 5. Fences enclosing an institutional, business, or industrial property, may consist of an open mesh fence not to exceed 10 feet unless otherwise restricted by this Ordinance.
- 6. Fences for agricultural uses are exempt from these height limitations

NO FENCE PERMIT NEEDED FROM THE TOWN. HOMESTEAD WILL NEED PERMISSION FROM THE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION (HOA).