Residential Fences

Permits are required for a new fence and when a fence is being replaced or altered

The following must be submitted for the issuance of a permit:

1. Completed building permit application indicating:
   - Type of material used for fence
   - Height of proposed fence
   - Contractor performing the work
   - Provide style of fence

2. Copy of your plat of survey indicating:
   - Proposed location of the fence
   - Indicate location of proposed fence on the plat of survey using small xxxx’s

Construction Requirements

Materials:

Wood, iron, ornamental aluminum, metal, PVC or similar material are permitted

- No barbed wire, electric, sharp pickets, stake fences or other types of materials that may cause bodily harm are permitted in residential zones

Other requirements:

- Structural elements or supports shall be located on the side of the fence facing toward the property on which the fence is constructed
- If a privacy fence is erected, the fence must be raised 2” above grade to allow for water to pass
- No fence shall be located on any lot nearer to the front lot line than the building setback line applicable to the lot in a residential zone
- Fences in residential zones cannot be taller than 6’
- All contractors working within the Village of South Holland must be registered or become registered prior to a permit being issued
Important information:

- If a fence is erected to include a utility easement, such fence may be required to be removed by either the utility company involved or by the village for the purpose of installing, maintain or repairing a utility without any responsibility on the part of either the utility company or the village for damages or replacement.
- In cases where fences are inspected by a village official or employee, such inspection shall not be a guarantee that the fence is properly located on or adjacent to lot lines.
- This information sheet is not meant to be an all-inclusive requirement sheet. It is rather a general overview of some of the fence submission requirements. More information may be required based on the individual project.
- A final inspection is required. Please contact the Planning Development and Code Enforcement Department to schedule at least 24 hours in advance.