

## Fence Permit Information

**A BUILDING PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCES. ONLY PROPERTY OWNERS OR LICENSED FENCE CONTRACTORS ARE ALLOW TO APPLY FOR PERMITS TO CONSTRUCT FENCES.**

**FENCES ARE ALLOWED TO BE BUILT WITHIN SERVITUDES, BUT, SOME CONDITIONS DO APPLY:**

1. Fences constructed within or crossing servitudes are at owner's risk. Owner is responsible for moving the fence if a utility wants access to use the servitude.
2. **Call Louisiana One Call at 1-800-272-3020, before digging within a servitude.**
3. Masonry walls or columns will require approval from city engineering and the utility agencies.

**The City of Baton Rouge, and the Parish of East Baton Rouge Zoning Ordinances list rules that shall be followed concerning the location of the proposed fence.**

**Section 9.301** Woven wire fences less than (4) feet high and other types of fences more than (30) per cent solid and less than three (3) feet high may be located on any part of a lot except that no fence, shrubs, planting or visual obstruction may be located within thirty (30) feet of a street intersection (measured from the intersection of the intersection of the property lines at the property corner) or as required by the Traffic Engineer. Phone 389-3246.

**Section 9.302** Except as provided in subsection 9.301, fences not more than eight feet high may be erected on those parts of the lot that are as far back or farther back from the street than the required front and side building lines, except as required in C2 and M2 Districts.

**Section 9.303** Open wire fences for tennis, badminton, and similar may be erected to a height of ten feet.

**Section 9.304** Except as provided in Section 2.210, open wire fences may be erected to a height of 10 feet in the M1 industrial Districts.

**Section 9.305** Except as provided in Section 9.301, 8.208, and 8.210, on corner lots there may be a fence or screen planting not to exceed 8 feet in height between the rear of the lot and the front building line, provided that such fencing must be not less than 5 feet from the inside edge of the sidewalk if such exists, and not less than 15 feet from the curb line or edge of pavement. In no case, however, shall the fence be located within 30 feet of a street intersection.

**APPEALS MAY BE TAKEN TO THE METROPOLITAN BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.**

Flood Ordinance #9079, adopted 4-25-1990; **Flood Damage Prevention:**

**Enclosures:** Solid fences, walls and landscaping features constructed or placed within the drainage system, as shown on the final plat shall have:

1. A minimum of two (2) openings having a total net area of not less than one (1) square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided.
2. The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one (1) foot above grade.
3. Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, valves, or other coverings or devices provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters.
4. Any variance of the requirements of this subsection must be approved by the Director of the Department of Public Works.

**Section 12:406, Maintenance of Swimming Pools, City-Parish Code of Ordinances:**

Every owner of a swimming pool, with a depth greater than eighteen (18) inches, shall keep the pool completely enclosed with fences or walls not less than five (5) feet in height with no openings greater than four (4) inches. Every pool owner shall equip gate or door openings to the pool with self-closing and self-latching devices capable of keeping such gate or door securely closed at all times. Every swimming pool owner shall keep said fences, gates and doors in a state or repair. All gates and doors shall be securely closed at all times. No waiver of this section shall be compliance.

**POOL FENCES:** All swimming pools or other outside body of water, with a depth greater than 18 inches, designed or used for swimming, dipping or immersion purposes, shall be completely enclosed with fence or walls not less than 5 feet in height with no openings greater than 4 inches. Walls of buildings may be used as part of such enclosure. All gates shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices. Exterior doors from any habitable building need not be so equipped. Pool final inspections will be withheld until all requirements specified for the fence have been complied with. Other protective devices or structures may be used so long as the degree of protection afforded by the substitute devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the fence, gate, and latch described herein.