



PLANNING TO PUT UP A FENCE?

- There is not a “permit” required; *however*, there is an application process that needs to be followed.
- There is no fee associated with this application.
- The purpose of this process is to make sure your fence is not installed on an easement without the Town’s permission. (See copy of ordinance below.)
- Many homeowners do not know if there is an easement on their property. You may contact the Public Works Department and we will look this up for you.
- If you put a fence on an easement and the Town must do work within the easement, we have the right to remove the fence with no obligation to put it back.
- This application along with an instruction sheet is on our website at the following location: <http://www.townofsmyrna.org/home/showdocument?id=7603>

Smyrna Zoning Ordinance concerning fences:

3.180 Fences. Fences are allowed to be installed on any lot in any district subject to the following limitations:

A. No encroachment on the front setback is allowed. In the case of a lot with multiple road frontages, this would include the front yard setback on which the principal structure faces. On any road frontage, which the principal structure does not face, a fence could encroach on the front yard setback provided the provisions of Article III, Section 3.080 are met.

B. Fences and decorative fences are allowed to be located along property lines in the side and rear yards.

C. In no case shall a fence or decorative fence encroach upon a public utility or drainage easement without prior written approval of the Director of Utilities or the Town Engineer, whichever is applicable.

D. Decorative fences are allowed to encroach upon a front yard setback. However, no fence or decorative fence is allowed to encroach upon public right-of-way.

You may reach the Public Works Department at (615)459-9766.