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Fence Permit Application

Permit Fees:

Ordinance # 6279
Effective 3/1/2020

Fence Permit: Includes Lafourche Parish Government plan review and final inspection.

Fence Permit Fee

\$50.00

FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE

Make checks payable to: Lafourche Parish Gov't

For Office Use: **Check #, Money Order #, Credit Card # :**

Amount Paid:

Received By:

→ Denotes fields that must be completed

* Complete if applicable

Permit Number

(To be completed by DPW)

→ **Applicant :**

☐ Property Owner ☐ Contractor

→ Applicant's Name

→ Phone Number

Email Address

→ Mailing Address

→ City, State, & Zip

→ **Property Owner:** ☐ same as above

→ **ADDRESS OF WORK:**

→ City, State & Zip

* Subdivision Name

* Lot & Block

* Corner Lot Street Intersecting Street Name

→ **Contractor Name:**

☐ Property Owner

* Mailing Address

* City, State & Zip

Check Appropriate Boxes

Type of Use:

→ ☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Pasture / Farming ☐ Other _____

Type of Fence:

→ ☐ Wood ☐ Vinyl ☐ Metal / Chain link ☐ Brick / Masonry ☐ Open Wire / Rail

☐ Other Describe:

If you would like to receive your permit by mail, include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Final Inspection Work Order # _____ **Date:** _____

Agreement

The following regulations shall be applicable to all persons wishing to construct, and/or install a fence structure. A fence is a free standing structure constructed of wood, wrought iron, solid plastic, chain link, masonry, metal or other similar materials designed for the purposes of fence construction, erected so as to enclose, divide, screen or protect yards, lots, parcels of land and portions thereof, on any land situated within the boundaries of and under the regulation of Lafourche Parish Government.

1. Except for tracts used as Pasture, Farming, Agriculture, barbed wire or other materials deemed hazardous by the Lafourche Parish Public Works Department shall not be placed upon any fence less than seven (7) feet above the ground or grade.
2. Prior to construction and/or installation of a fence, the property owner or his designee shall file the appropriate application and site plan to obtain a "fence permit" from the Lafourche Parish Public Works Department.
3. Fences shall be structurally sound and durable and in compliance with these regulations. Fences which are deemed structurally unsound are subject to removal if deemed to be unsafe or public hazard.
4. No fragile, readily flammable materials such as paper, cloth, reeds, canes or canvas shall constitute a part of any fence, nor shall such material be used as an adjunct, attachment or supplement to any fence.
5. The height of fences shall comply with the current ordinance for the Parish of Lafourche, which states, "No fence shall be constructed in such a manner so as to prevent the driver of a vehicle from having a clear, unobstructed view of traffic signs and approaching, merging, or interesting traffic. Fences built past the front building shall taper down to maximum of 3'. Buildings on corners shall be considered as having two (2) front property lines so as to meet the tapering to 3' on both sides of the corner."
6. Fences over eight (8) feet in height shall be of noncombustible material and must comply with the Building Code requirements of the Lafourche Parish's Building Department. Applications for fences over eight (8) feet in height shall provide two (2) complete set of plans bearing the "live" stamp or seal of the design professional. *Exception: Stamped or sealed plans for fences of an open design may be waived by the Code Official.*
7. Drainage. No fence shall prevent the proper drainage of any lot.
8. Fences shall be built on private property and not on public rights-of-ways.
 - a) Construction of a fence within or crossing any servitudes or right of way will be the owner's risk. The owner is responsible for moving the fence should access be needed by the party of the row.
 - b) It shall be the property owner's responsibility and obligation to identify the property line when proposing to construct a fence upon said property line. A property survey may be required at the expense of the property owner.
8. Upon completion of fence construction, the property owner must notify Lafourche Parish Department of Public Works for a final inspection. Should the installation not meet specifications, Lafourche Parish may;
 - a) Require the owner to remove and re-construct to specifications approved by the Lafourche Parish Department of Public Works Department; or
 - b) Remove the fence due to non-compliance.

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When it has been determined by the Lafourche Parish Public Works Director that the installation of any fence or appurtenant structure(s) would be detrimental to the drainage of an area, it shall be unlawful for him to issue a permit to the applicant.

The Land Owner has option; to either self install or have a private contractor install the fence; however, the procedures for completion and inspections mentioned above shall be followed.

Permit expires 1 year from issue date.

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I AGREE to these terms

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I DO NOT AGREE to these terms

Signature

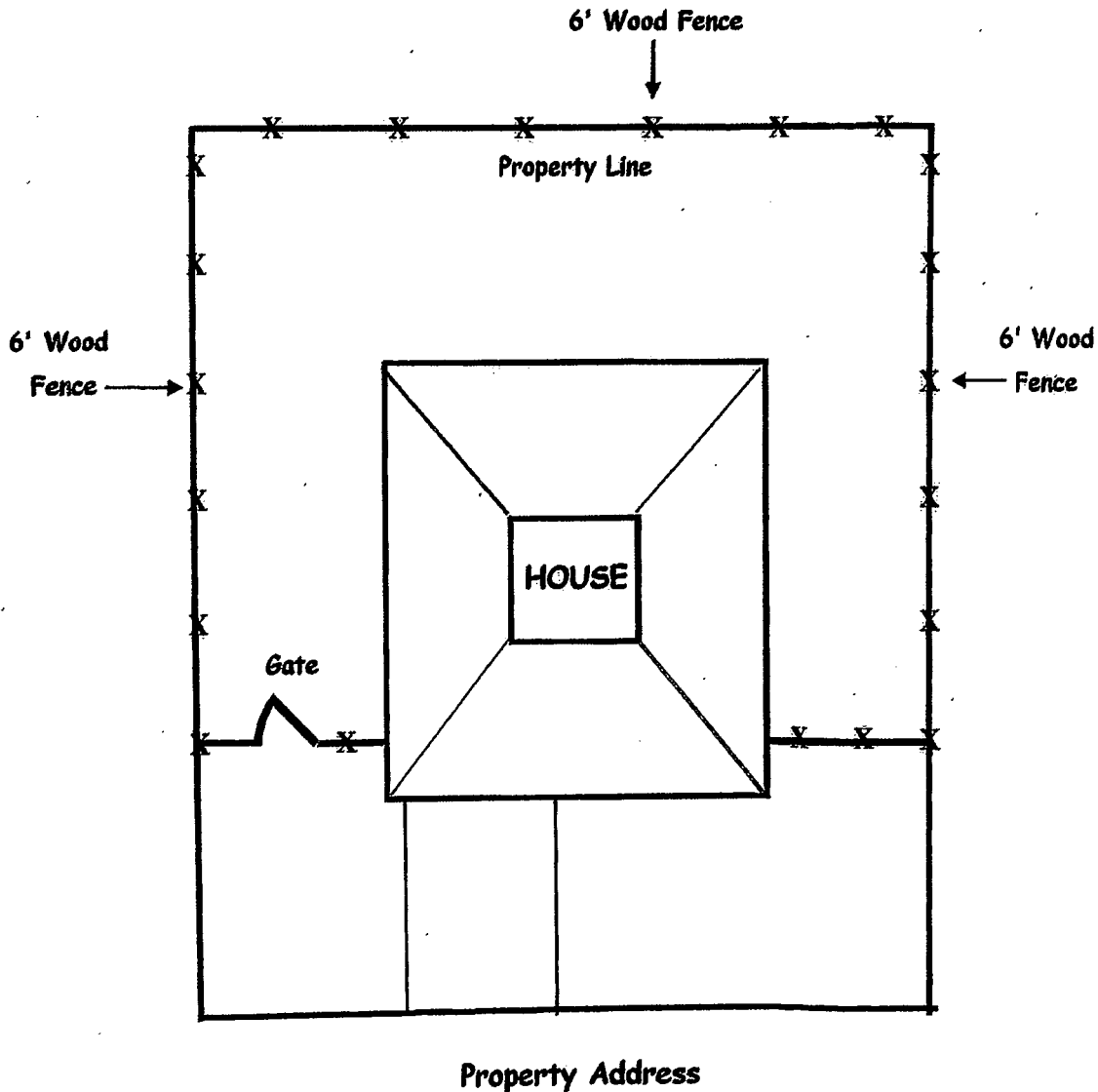
Date

Make checks / moneyorders payable to: Lafourche Parish Government
Mailing Address: Department of Public Works, P.O. Box 425, Mathews, La. 70375

RESIDENTIAL FENCE SITE PLAN

SITE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE:

1. Lot showing the existing primary residential building and all other existing accessory buildings.
2. Property address and/or name of adjacent street
3. Show the proposed fence with X-X-X-;
 - Label the height and fence material type.
 - Provide fence detail if you are using masonry columns or a combination of two materials;



EXAMPLE ONLY

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Fence Permit Requirements FAQ's

Fence Permit Requirement - General Public Information

A fence permit application must be submitted to the Department of Public Works.

When are fence permits required?

Fence permits are required when a new fence is being constructed or when more than 50% of the length of the existing fence on the property is being replaced or repaired.

A new or replacement fence must comply with the allowed materials for fences. Simple repairs such as a replacement of individual pickets, replacement of posts, or painting/staining a fence does not require permits.

If I have an existing fence, can I build a new one in the same location?

All new fence construction must comply with LPG Dept of Public Works Regulations.

If your existing fence meets these requirements then you may reconstruct your new fence in the same location. If your existing fence does not meet the requirements, you must construct the new fence to comply with the Regulations

Do I need to submit a Site Plan? Yes

What is a Site Plan?

A Site Plan is an aerial sketch of the property showing the location of the house, parking area, and any other buildings or structures. Locations of all buildings and structures on the property must be drawn on the Site Plan. Site plan review approval is required for permitting of fences, walls, or other barriers.

How tall can I build my fence?

8 feet tall. In the side and rear yards, fences over 8' tall are regulated by Building Code requirements as per the Parish Building Dept.

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More Information on the Regulations can be obtained by contacting the Department of Public Works