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FENCE INSTALLATION / PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

At the present time, the current Ordinances for College Township do not require a zoning permit to construct a fence or the installation of privacy panels, on your property. BUT, the CENTRE REGION CODE OFFICE does have requirements for PERMITTING AND APPROVAL of building and/or construction of FENCES over 6' in height. The CENTRE REGION CODE OFFICES can be reached at 814-231-3056.

GUIDELINES FOR FENCE INSTALLATION

Although, College Township does not require a Zoning Permit, some basic requirements must be followed when installing a fence until College Township adopts an amendment providing for a fence ordinance.

- (1) Prior to digging always execute a PA ONE-CALL. This will locate any utility, which may be running through your property. The address and phone number is:

Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.
925 Irwin Run Road
West Mifflin, Pennsylvania 15122
DIAL 811 or 1-800-242-1776

- (2) Fences are normally located along property lines. NO FENCE can be erected within a public right-of-way or easement. The Township Engineer, Director of Public Works or Zoning Officer can advise you of the approximate location of street right-of-way lines.
- (3) Research your deed for any possible private easement(s) or agreements(s) that may prohibit construction within a certain area of your lot. In addition, if you are a member of a neighborhood association, restrictive covenants and/or homeowners association documents may prescribe certain design criteria for fence installation.
- (4) Locate the corners of your property. These will aid in the layout phase of the installation. If you cannot locate your property corners, it is advisable that you have a professional land surveyor locate or set these corners in order to ensure that you do not encroach onto the right-of-way, an easement, or an adjacent private property.
- (5) For maintenance along abutting property lines, it is recommended that the fence be installed one (1) to two (2) feet inside the property line to provide access.
- (6) If your lot is a corner lot and you are installing a fence at the street intersection corner, it is required that the height of the fence not exceed thirty (30) inches, twenty-five (25) feet in each direction from the property corner. An alternative to the thirty (30) inch height requirement (at the corner), is to install the fence on an angle across the corner beginning twenty-five (25) feet in each direction from the property corner. (see attached diagram)

Should you have any questions please contact the College Township Zoning Office or if you are viewing this on the Township web site, please call for a copy of the attached diagram.

SIGHT DISTANCE

