



# Fence Permit Application

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Project Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_ Joplin City License #: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Fencing Material: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_

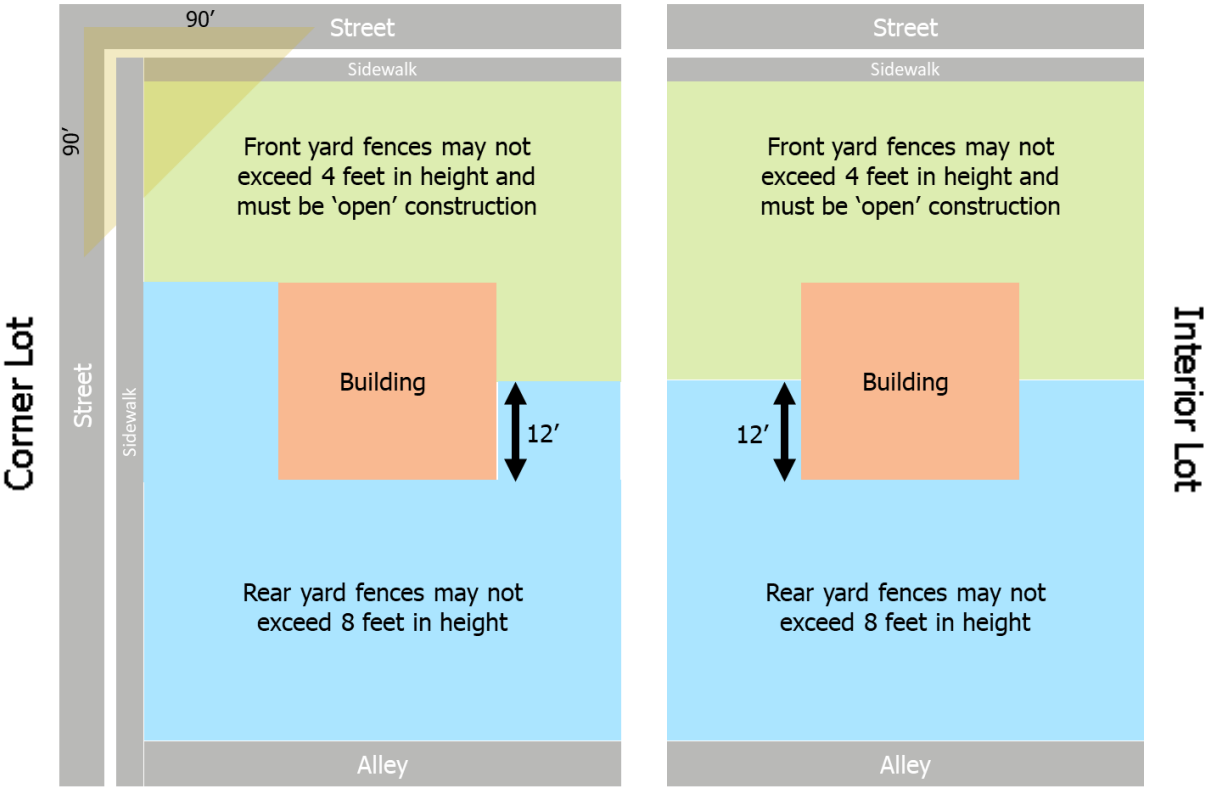
Residential Fee: \$25.00

Commercial Fee: \$75.00

Yes No

A drawing showing the location and height of the proposed fence accompanies this application (**required**).

**All property lines and/or easements are the responsibility of the property owner(s).**



**Office Use Only:**

Building approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Zoning approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire approval: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Front Fences.** All fences in front of the front building line shall:

1. Be limited to no higher than 4 feet in residential and commercial districts and 8 feet in industrial districts.
2. Be open so as to have a void of at least 33% of the area up to 4 feet. (For example, a solid wall or fence of 2.7 feet high, or a 4-foot-high picket fence with picket to void ratio of 2:1, or any other more open fence design).

**Rear and Interior Side Fences.** All rear and interior side fences located behind the front building line shall:

1. Be limited to no higher than 8 feet.
2. May have a solid screen subject to the general fence design standards.
3. All privacy fences with a solid screen and height over 5 feet high shall be limited along interior side lot lines to no more than 12 feet in front of the rear building line. The Director may approve exceptions to allow as much as along 50% of the side elevation where the building and yard is configured to have substantially active or social outside spaces such as building entrances, walkways, patios, or courtyards.

**Street Side Fences.** Fences and walls along the street side of corner lots:

1. May be built up to 8 feet high and have a solid screen subject to the general fence design standards, provided:
  - a. It is no closer than 15 feet to the front lot line along an arterial or collector street; and
  - b. It is not in front of the front building line of the structure on local streets.
2. All other fences along the street side shall meet the front fence standards.

**General Design Standards.**

1. Fences and walls shall be located to maintain the proper lines of sight at all intersections of streets, streets with alleys or driveways, and internal access streets. Proper sight distances are provided in Section 3.01.D.3, Sight Distances. Any fence or wall that could potentially create a sight obstruction for vehicles crossing pedestrian areas or entering the street may require greater transparency or additional location restrictions to allow for safe sight distances for the vehicle.
2. All fences located along adjacent lot lines shall be constructed so that either:
  - a. The face of the fence is on the common property line; or
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  - c. The face of the fence is at least two feet from any public right-of-way, except alleys.
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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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