

For your safety, call Alberta One-Call at 1-800-242-3447 to locate buried utilities on your property before digging.

## What You Need to Apply

To apply, fill in the Residential Development & Building Application and include all required information as indicated on the application form as well as all application fees.

Application form can be found at

#### www.edmonton.ca

When applying for a development permit, you must provide:

- The municipal address
- The plan, block and lot number (the legal description of your property found on your tax notice)
- Three copies of the site plan indicating the fence location and height.

## **Processing Your Application**

- A Development Planner reviews the application for an over-height fence using the Zoning Bylaw regulations.
- If your application is approved, we will notify your neighbours within 60 m (197 ft.) of your property. Your neighbours have 14 days to appeal the decision.
- If your development application is refused, you can appeal the development officer's decision to:

Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Churchill Building 10019-103 Avenue NW Edmonton, Alberta T5J 0G9

Telephone: 780-496-6079

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#### Fax

#### 780-496-6034

Our fax can take legal and letter sized paper.

#### In Person

Current Planning Branch 5th Floor, 10250 - 101 Street NW Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3P4 Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Payment may be cash, personal cheque (payable to the City of Edmonton), Visa, MasterCard, American Express or debit.

#### Mail

#### **Current Planning Branch**

5th Floor, 10250 - 101 Street NW Edmonton, Alberta T5J 3P4 Cheques should be made out to City of Edmonton. Please allow for extra processing time when mailing application.

#### Contact

For application forms and additional general information:

#### Phone

For 24-hour information and access to City of Edmonton programs and services: **311** 

If outside of Edmonton: 780-442-5311

#### Web

www.edmonton.ca

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# Guide to building a fence.



#### Note:

This is a general guide. Additional information may be required.

When you apply, personal information may be collected under the authority of Section 33(c) of the Alberta Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Section 642 of the Municipal Government Act and/or Section 63 of the Safety Codes Act. The information will be used to process your application(s) and your name and address may be included on reports that are available to the public. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

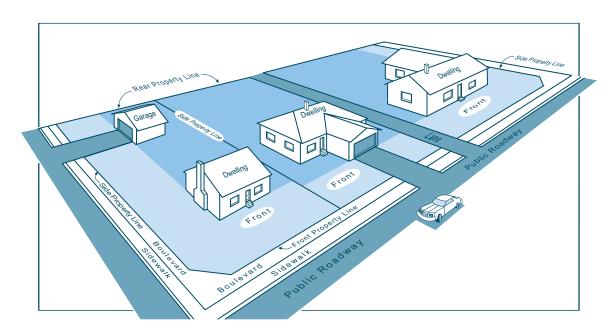


# **Why Permits?**

Permits are here for your protection. They're the result of years of experience, testing and feedback. Having the proper permits will ensure what is being built is actually safe and that the appearance and use is consistent with the context of your neighbourhood.



The two factors that need to be considered when building a fence are its height and location. Both of which are regulated by the zoning bylaw. If your fence plans are higher than the zoning regulations, you will require a development permit.



- A fence in this part of your lot no higher than 1.2 m (4.0 ft.)
- A fence in this part of your lot no higher than 1.85 m (6.1 ft.)



#### **Garbage stand**

- The garbage cans should be accessible from the front of a garbage stand, not the top.
- It should be large enough to accommodate your garbage cans, yard wastes in the summer, and your blue bag recyclables.
- Garbage stands without doors are preferable. If used, doors should be hinged on the side, not the top. Latches should be operable while wearing mittens or gloves.

# **Zoning Verification**

Your property's specific zoning may affect your plans. To verify the zoning of a property, visit our office or http://maps.edmonton.ca.

- Enter the map site, review the disclaimer and accept it by pressing 'ok'
- On the upper left of your screen see the tab 'Locate' and select 'zoning'
- Click on 'Locate Title by Address' and enter the property's address
- Click on 'search' to view its zoning and any overlay information



# Regulations

- A fence can be built out of wood, brick, stone, concrete or metal. However, electric fencing and barbed wire cannot be used.
- Fences may be built along and up to your property line, but must be within the property limits. Rear property lines are not where the lane/asphalt starts. If you are unsure, please contact an Alberta Land Surveyor.
- If you share fence construction with your neighbour, you may both decide the location.
- Fences cannot be built on the boulevard nor restrict visibility for safe traffic flow.
- If you're constructing a garbage stand along with your fence, it may be built along and up to your property line but must be built within the property limits. It cannot be built on the boulevard nor restrict the visibility needed for safe traffic flow.

# **Measurement Regulations**

- A development permit is required if your fence will be higher than 1.2 metres (m) or (4 feet) (ft.) in the front and 1.85 m (6.1 ft.) in the rear of the property.
- If building a garbage stand, the stand should be no more than five feet high. The floor of the stand should be about 12 inches high.