



# Village of Villa Park

## Public Works Department • Permitting

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# DOG RUN

(Ordinance 2317)



## PERMIT APPLICATION

The Village of Villa Park requires a permit prior to beginning any construction.

To obtain a permit, the following is required:

- Completed Permit Application  
Must indicate type of fencing (i.e. solid or chain link), length of dog run, and height of fencing
- Completed Contractor Sheet  
If the homeowner is doing the work, “owner/self” should be written on the Carpenter line of the contractor sheet. If a contractor will be doing the work, they must meet the Villages requirements for contractor eligibility.
- Plat of Survey (2 Copies) – mark with colored pen or highlighter exactly where the dog run will be placed with the type & height of fencing indicated on both copies
- If utilities need to be located, call J.U.L.I.E. (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators) at 1-800-892-0123 allowing 48 hours for service.
- Upon approval and before construction begins, display the permit card in the window nearest the front door.

## DEFINITIONS

A FENCE is a free-standing structure of metal, masonry, composition or wood or any combination thereof, resting on or partially buried in the ground and rising above ground level, and used for confinement or screening. Any plantings, shrubbery, hedges or other vegetation, whether used individually or in combination with free-standing structure of metal, masonry, composition or wood which is installed so as to provide an effective barrier to vision shall also constitute a fence if its length is more than 10 feet.

**SOLID FENCE** Any fence which, when viewed from an angle of ninety (90) degrees, is less than 75% open.

**OPEN FENCE** Any fence which, when viewed from an angle of ninety (90) degrees, is at least 75% open.

**HEIGHT** Height shall be measured from the ground at the point of measurement, provided, however, that the elevation of the ground at the point of measurement has not been artificially changed by installation of a berm, mound, or fill, unless the berm or fill has been installed, graded and approved as part of a subdivision grading plan. If the elevation at the point of measurement has been so changed, then the height shall be measured from the elevation of the ground prior to the change.

## **LOCATION AND MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF FENCES**

The following examples will assist in illustrating the location and maximum sizes allowable for the construction of fences. Please note those triangular areas on some examples. These are visual obstruction triangles which limit maximum heights, including shrubbery, to 36" solid and chain link fences within 20' at street intersections, and 36" solid or 48" chain link fences within 15' at driveway intersections. These regulations apply only to corner and corner through lots.

## **REGULATIONS**

Dog pounds, dog runs, or other permitted enclosures for animals shall only be permitted in rear yards and shall be located not closer than ten (10) feet to any lot line within the rear yard.

Fencing for such enclosures shall not exceed six (6) feet in height if solid or eight (8) feet in height if open wire mesh nor shall such pounds, runs or other enclosures exceed more than a total length of fifty (50) feet or a total width of eight (8) feet in a residential district.

Fencing for such enclosures shall not exceed six (6) feet in height if solid or eight (8) feet in height if open wire mesh and shall allow an enclosure of at least fifty (50) square feet for each animal based on the maximum number of animals to be in the enclosure at any given time for a commercial kennel.

Only one such pound, run or enclosure shall be permitted