

# Regulations for Fences in Olmsted Township

## Zoning Requirements:

Maximum height of fences in rear yards is 6' above the natural grade (Unless otherwise specified in Homeowner's Association Rules, which may be less than Olmsted Township's maximum 6').

Maximum height of fences in front yards is as follows:

3.5' above the natural grade.

2.5' above the natural grade if within 25' of the Right-of-Way.

No Fences are to be constructed in the Right-of-Way.

Verify where Right-of-Way is at the Olmsted Township Building Department.

The openings of fences shall be evenly spaced throughout the vertical surface.

All fences must have at least 25% light and air through the vertical surface.

**NO SOLID FENCES ALLOWED!**

The smooth, finished side of the fence must face your neighbor.

Fences can be placed up to the property line. If the fence is on your property line, make sure your neighbor will allow you on their property if the fence needs to be maintained.

## Application Procedures:

- Submit 1 application, along with a site plan showing where the fence will be located on the property. Describe the type of fence and how high it will be. Include a brochure or elevation drawings.
- Obtain approval from Homeowner's Association (if applicable)
- A representative from the Building Department will contact you, usually within 7-10 days, informing you if your permit was approved.
- If plans are approved, you may pick up your permit. A \$25.25 fee is required.
- If plans are not approved, you may need to submit more information.

**ANY CONTRACTOR DOING WORK IN OLMSTED TOWNSHIP, IS REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE OLMSTED TOWNSHIP BUILDING DEPARTMENT.**

## Inspections:

- Please contact the Building Department (440-235-4225) to schedule an inspection when the fence is complete.
- Inspections are taken 24 hours in advance.
- Inspections are conducted Monday-Friday 9:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.