

FENCE PERMIT INFORMATION

A BUILDING PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCES, ONLY PROPERTY OWNERS OR LICENSED FENCE CONTRACTORS ARE ALLOWED TO APPLY FOR PERMITS TO CONSTRUCT FENCES.

FENCES ARE ALLOWED TO BE BUILT WITHIN SERVITUDES, BUT, SOME CONDITIONS DO APPLY:

1. Fences constructed within or crossing servitudes are at owner's risk. Owner is responsible for moving the fence if a utility wants access to use the servitude.
2. **Call Louisiana One Call at 1-800-272-3020 before digging within a servitude.**
3. Masonry walls or columns will require approval from city engineering and the utility agencies.

Requirements for building permit issuance for fences:

1. Permit Fee is \$23.00
2. Submittal of 8 1/2 x 11 dimensional plat with servitudes (if any) and proposed location along with existing structures on lot
3. Indicate type of material to be used for construction of fence and approximate cost

The City of Thibodaux Zoning Ordinances list rules that shall be followed concerning the location of the proposed fence.

Section 601 Visibility at Intersections in Residential Districts -- On a corner lot in any residential district, nothing shall be erected, placed, planted, or allowed to grow in such a manner as materially to impede vision between a height of 2 1/2 and 10 feet above the centerline grades of the intersecting streets in the area bounded by the street lines of such corner lots and a line joining points along said street lines 50 feet from the point of the intersection of street center line.

Section 602

Fences, Walls and Hedges - Notwithstanding other provisions of this ordinance, fences, walls and hedges may be permitted in any required yard or along the edge of any yard, provided that no fence, wall or hedge along the sides or front edge of any front yard shall be over 2 1/2 feet in height.

POOL FENCES: All swimming pools or other outside body of water, with a depth greater than 18 inches, designed or used for swimming, dipping or immersion purposes, shall be completely enclosed with fence or walls not less than five (5) feet in height with no openings greater than four (4) inches. Walls of buildings may be used as part of such enclosure. All gates shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices. Exterior doors from any habitable building need not be so equipped. Pool final inspections will be withheld until all requirements specified for the fence have been complied with. Other protective devices or structures may be used as long as the degree of protection afforded by the substitute devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the fence, gate and latch described herein.

Maintenance of Swimming Pools, City Code of Ordinances

Every owner of a swimming pool, with a depth greater than eighteen (18) inches, shall keep the pool completely enclosed with fences or walls not less than five (5) in height with no openings greater than four (4) inches. Every pool owner shall equip gate or door openings to the pool with self-closing and self-latching devices capable of keeping such gate or door securely closed at all times. Every swimming pool owner shall keep said fences, gates and doors in a state of repair. All gates and doors shall be securely closed at all times. No waiver of this section shall be in compliance.