

**Fence:** Any combination of materials used to define a boundary or enclose a portion of a property. The height of all fences and walls or portions thereof shall be measured from grade level. **(§201)** 

- NO FENCE MAY BE IN A TOWNSHIP RIGHT-OF-WAY! (§417)
- Fences in front yards cannot be taller than 4'. (§401.C)
- Fences in side or rear yards cannot be taller than 6'. (§401.C)
- Non-Residential fences in Industrial or Commercial zones may not exceed 10'. (§401.C)
  - Fences over 6' in height require a building permit.
- Fences may be located up to, but not on the lot line. (§401.C)
- Fences are not permitted in a public or private drainage, utility or access easement, unless otherwise required by Township ordinance.
- Fences cannot obstruct the clear sight requirements at intersections or driveways.
  (§401.C)
- Retaining walls over 4' in height and those that support a surcharge require building permits.
- All pools or spas 24" or deeper must be surrounded by a barrier. For fence requirements around a swimming pool see the Conewago Township Swimming Pool Guide.
- Fences in the Floodplain require a Floodplain Permit.
- Permits are not required for repairing fences.

**Permits** - Most fences do not require permits in Conewago Township. Any fence in a flood plain requires a Floodplain Permit. Any non-residential fence over 6' requires a Building Permit. Any retaining wall over 4', or one that supports a surcharge, or one that impounds Class I, II, or III-A liquids requires a Building Permit.

**Residential Fences** – Residential fences may not be taller than 4' in front yards, or 6' in side and rear yards. Corner lots are considered to have two front yards. You may place your fence up to but not on the property line. Please keep in mind that both you and your neighbor will need to be able to access the area for maintenance and weed control. Fences cannot be placed in any Right-Of-Way or easement. Any fences near intersections or driveways must not block the clear sight of drivers.

**Non-Residential Fences** - Non-Residential fences may not be taller than 10' and any fence over 6' requires a Building Permit.

**Pools** - All pools or spas 24" or deeper must be surrounded by a fence or barrier. For fence requirements around a swimming pool see the Conewago Township Swimming Pool Guide.

**HOAs** – If your property is part of a Homeowners Association they may have additional requirements or restrictions. Contact your HOA for additional information.