



ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION

Fence or Retaining Wall

Borough of Bellefonte

Application Fee: \$50.00 Paid: ☐

(Check can be made out to: Bellefonte Borough)

Date Received: _____

Applicant: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Owner: _____

Owner's Address: _____

Address of Property: _____

Type of Property:

- ☐ Middle lot
☐ Corner lot

Is this property located in the Historic District?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Height of Fence (in feet/inches): _____

Required Documents:

☐ **Site plan showing the proposed fence location in relation to property lines and existing structures, including fence dimensions and yard setbacks.**

☐ **Compliance with Borough of Bellefonte Code, Chapter 575-79 Fences.**

§ 575-79 Fences: Fences, hedges and freestanding walls are permitted in any yard setback area unless otherwise restricted or prohibited by other provisions of this or other ordinances.

A. All fences in any front yard setback area or in any side yard setback area facing a street shall not exceed a height of four feet. Fences in other side yard setback areas and back yard setback areas shall not be taller than six feet two inches high, measured from grade. Measurements shall be made at each end of the fence and in the center of the fence, which measurements, when averaged, shall not exceed maximum allowable heights. Measurements shall be made perpendicularly to the ground, which shall not be mounded solely to increase the elevation of the fence. For the purposes of this chapter, the end of the fence shall mean that point of the fence that deviates at an angle from the section of fence being measured. Circular fences shall be measured at three equidistant points on the circumference.

B. On corner lots in residential zones, hedges, fences or other obstructions to view are prohibited within a triangle extending 25 feet along the street lines from a vertex at the intersection of the street lines. Such hedges, fences and other obstructions to view may be permitted, provided that, between the heights of three feet and eight feet above the street level, there shall be a clear view across the triangle. [Amended 6-15-2015 by Ord. No. 06152015-02]

C. Spite fences are specifically prohibited.

CERTIFICATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF APPLICANT

By signing this application, I certify that the information provided is true and correct and that the proposed work and/or use complies with the Borough Zoning Ordinance. I acknowledge that a zoning permit is required prior to the erection, extension, alteration, or change in use of any structure or land, unless otherwise exempted. If I am not the property owner, I certify that the owner has been informed of and consents to the proposed work and/or use. I understand that a zoning permit does not authorize activity that violates the Zoning Ordinance and that false or misleading information may result in permit revocation, enforcement action, fines, or other legal sanctions.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

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