

City of Sabula

Fence Permit Application

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address of proposed fence \_\_\_\_\_

Required information:

1. Actual size and shape of lot or property
2. Location, ground area dimensions and identification of all existing buildings, structures, driveways and sidewalks. (Diagram or sketch must be attached.)
  - A. Location of proposed fence, shrub, hedge or wall – must be included on the diagram or sketch.
  - B. Height of fence \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Type of fence, shrub, hedge or wall \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: IN GRANTING THIS PERMIT, THE CITY OF SABULA MAKES NO WARRANTY OTHER THAN A PERMIT HAS BEEN REQUESTED AND GRANTED AND THAT THE HEIGHT OF THE FENCE, WALL, SHRUB OR HEDGE (and type of proposed construction) IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE CITY ORDINANCES AND CODES. THE PERMIT APPLICANT IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THE CONSTRUCTION IS ON HIS PROPERTY AND DOES NOT CONFLICT WITH ANY CURRENT EASEMENT OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS. FAILURE OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY WITH PROPERTY BOUNDARIES OR EASEMENT RESTRICTIONS MAY SUBJECT THE APPLICANT TO CIVIL ACTION OR REMOVAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION AT THE APPLICANT'S EXPENSE.

THE APPLICANT HEREBY DECLARIES THE ABOVE HAS BEEN NOTED AND COMPLIED WITH.

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER \_\_\_\_\_

Application ----- Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_  
(Ord. 3-2005, Passed November 15, 2005)

8. Congestion. Any undue gathering, congregating, parking of cars, or undue congestion of people or traffic.

9. Other. Any effect which will be obnoxious, offensive, dangerous or injurious to the health, welfare and safety of citizens.

**3-12-10 AUTHORITY OF CITY COUNCIL.** The City Council shall have full authority to accept or reject any plans and specification submitted.

**3-12-11 ACTION TO ABATE.** Any building or structure erected, constructed altered or repaired in violation of the provisions of this Chapter shall be deemed unlawful and a nuisance and it shall be abated as described in Section 3-2 of this Code.

(Code of Iowa, 1999, Chapter. 414)

**3-12-12 PERMIT VOID.** In the event that construction covered by a permit is not initiated and underway within a year from the date of issuance of a permit, such permit shall be deemed void and of no effect.

**3-12-13 CERTIFYING ORDINANCES.** Within fifteen (15) days of the effective date of the adoption of any amendment establishing or altering set back or yard requirements the City Clerk shall certify such amendment to the County Recorder.

**3-12-14 PERMITS ISSUED.** Permits shall be issued by the City Clerk in triplicate, one copy for the applicant, one copy for the County Assessor, and one copy to be retained in the City records.

**3-12-15 FENCES.**

#### Specifications

1. Fences must be erected so that the posts and all other supporting members face to the owner's side. The rough part of the frame shall face the owner's property.

a. Fences shall be oriented in such a manner that the finished side faces the public right of way and adjacent property.

2. The following materials are prohibited for use as a fence: barbed wire, chicken wire, welded wire, woven wire, snow fence, plastic snow fence, plastic safety or barrier fence, and any materials added to an existing fence which would extend the height of the existing fence.

3. Any and all repairs or replacement of existing fences shall comply with the requirements.

4. It is the homeowner's responsibility to contact the utility companies and the city of Sabula to locate possible underground lines and cables. The property owner assumes all responsibility for any damage that may occur as a result of construction or placement of the fence. Call Iowa One Call for a location before digging.

(Ord. 3-2015, Passed October 26, 2015)

### Residential

1. No residential fence or continuous planting over four (4) feet in height shall be maintained on any front yard.
  - a. Front yard defined as in building permit ordinance.
  - b. All lots treated individually as to front yard requirements.
2. No residential fence or continuous planting shall be maintained over (4) four feet in height on corner lot on sides that parallel the streets, at the property intersection facing the street corner the fence or continuous planting shall be set back (5) five feet on each side in order to create a 45 degree angle across the corner facing the street corner for visibility.
3. No residential fences or continuous planting which exceeds seven (7) feet in height will be maintained on any rear yard or side yard.
4. Residential fences may be constructed up to the property line. It is the homeowner's responsibility to determine all property lines.

### Commercial and Governmental

1. Commercial fences must be set back minimum of 1 foot from the perimeter property lines.
2. Commercial fences shall be chain link with no privacy strips.
3. Commercial fences may extend (7) seven feet in height along perimeter of property.
4. Commercial fences on corner lot must be set back (5) five feet on each side from property intersection in order to create a 45 degree angle facing street corner for visibility.

The City Council will resolve situations not covered in the above ordinance on an individual basis.