



# City of Madeira Beach

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## FENCE PERMIT APPLICATION

**Lot survey and drawing required at submission of permit application.**

Site Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner     Contractor     Other, Please Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_    Alternate Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### FENCE INFORMATION

#### Type of Work

- New Construction
- Replacement

Total Feet \_\_\_\_\_ ft

Total Price of Work \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Location

- Front Yard
- Rear Yard facing water
- Rear Yard **not** facing water
- Side Yard

\$0.00 to \$500.00 = \$30.00

\$501.00 to \$1,000.00 = \$40.00

\$1,001.00 to \$25,000.00 = \$40.00 plus \*

\*Plus, per \$1,000.00 of value or fraction thereof = \$9.00

#### Material

- Board on Board
- Chain Link / Open Fence
- PVC
- Wood Stockade

**NOTE:** Fee is tripled if work begins prior to obtaining the proper permit.

Fence Permit Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash     Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ ft  
(Maximum permitted height is 6 feet.)

### CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Permit will become null and void if authorized work is not commenced on or before expiration date of approval. Once started, construction work must be continuous. If work is suspended or abandoned for a continuous period of 30 days, or for an aggregate total of 45 working days, this permit will be null and void.

Application is hereby made to obtain a permit to do the work and installations as indicated. I certify that no work or installation has commenced prior to the issuance of a permit and that all work will be performed to meet the standard of all laws regulating construction in this jurisdiction.

I understand that a separate permit must be secured for electrical work, plumbing and mechanical work associated with this permit. The granting of this permit does not presume to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of any other federal, state or local law regulating construction or the performance thereof.

I certify that all the foregoing information is accurate and that all work will be done in compliance with all applicable laws regulating construction and zoning.

**This permit is issued subject to specific Zoning restrictions adopted by the City of Madeira Beach, Florida.**

Owner / Contractor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL REGULATIONS  
FENCE PERMIT**

**(DIVISION 3. WALLS, FENCES, HEDGES, RAILINGS AND SAND FENCES)**

**Sec. 110-446. Front yards.**

All garden walls, solid fences or hedges located within the defined front yard shall not exceed three feet in height. Open wire and chainlink fences, railings and sand screens shall not exceed four feet in height.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(A))

**Sec. 110-447. Rear yards facing water.**

(a) In rear yards facing Boca Ciega Bay, garden walls, solid fences and hedges shall not exceed three feet in height, except six-foot fences are permitted adjacent to sewage lift stations. **A chain link or an open fence with openings not less than 3 inches between vertical members which are not greater than 1 ½ inch in width may extend up to four feet in height. Openings in any fence shall not allow passage of a 4-inch diameter (102 mm) sphere.**

(b) In rear yards facing the Gulf of Mexico, garden walls, solid fences, and hedges shall not exceed three feet in height, except six-foot fences are permitted adjacent to sewage lift stations. Open wire **and** chain link fences with a minimum of **three-inch** openings between all **vertical members**, and sand screens (manufactured for this purpose) shall not exceed four feet in height or be placed closer than 18 feet from a seawall. **Fencing which is wrought iron in appearance, with a minimum of three-inch openings between all vertical members shall not exceed six feet in height. Opening in any fence, wall, or screen shall not allow passage of a 4-inch diameter (102 mm) sphere.** All walls, fences, railings, and screens must be installed landward of the county coastal construction control line.

(c) All sand screen installations shall be considered as temporary and shall have sea oats planted 12 inches apart in three rows (also 12 inches apart) seaward of the sand screen to help form sand dunes and a permanent vegetation screen. Sand screen installation shall be removed when in the opinion of the building and zoning official, sea oats have been established as a permanent vegetation screen.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(A); Ord. No. 918, § 2, 12-7-99; **Ord 1149- 04/14/09**)

**Sec. 110-448. Side yards.**

All garden walls, fences, hedges, railings and sand screens located within defined side yards shall not exceed six feet in height.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(C))

**Sec. 110-449. Other rear yards not facing water.**

All garden walls, fences and sand screens located within the defined rear yard, shall not exceed six feet in height.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(D))

**Sec. 110-450. Gates required.**

All fences, garden walls or hedges shall provide gates or openings to allow passage through the side yard from the front yard to the rear yard, with a minimum opening of 29 inches.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(E))

**Sec. 110-451. Location.**

Garden walls, fences, hedges, railings and sand screens may be placed on the property lines or seawall except as noted in section 110-447.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(F))

**Sec. 110-452. Method of measurement.**

Where a fence is located along abutting properties with varying elevations, the height shall be measured from an average elevation along the entire length of the fence.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(G))

**Sec. 110-453. Construction.**

Walls or fences of wood construction must be installed so that the exposed framing of each section of fence faces the interior yard. However, the building official may allow the exposed framing of the fence to face adjacent side and rear yards where the owner or contractor can demonstrate that either:

(1) There is an existing fence and/or hedge located on the adjacent property to the parcel for which the new fence permit has been applied for and that the existing fence or hedge is constructed and located in such a manner that it is impracticable or not feasible to install the wood fence with the exposed framing facing the interior yard; or

(2) Surrounding affected property owners have declared in writing that they have no objection to the exposed framing.

(Code 1983, § 20-504(H))

**Secs. 110-454--110-470. Reserved**

