

## Questions

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**Allow 7-10 days for processing.**

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**Diggers Hotline:**  
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**WE Energies Right-of-Way Analyst:**  
(414) 221-2750

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## Fences



# Follow these 7 steps...

**1.** Make sure your proposed fence meets the placement and size requirements outlined in this brochure. Also check for any covenants that may be part of your subdivision regulating fences.

## Placement:

A fence may be erected up to the property line on the side and rear yards. Solid-type fences shall meet the front yard setback from all street property lines (typically the front edge of the house or garage) and the water line setback of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Open-type fences must be setback at least six (6") inches from the property line in the front yard

Harrison requires all fences to be placed outside any drainage easements and outside of utility easements unless permission is granted by WE Energies. Contact Harrison Planning staff to find where any easements are located or to get a copy of the drainage plan for your lot.

A request to locate in a utility easement can be sent to WE Energies (contact info on back of brochure).

## Height:

Fences shall be no more than six (6') feet tall for residential purposes. Street intersection corners may have fences or hedges that are no more than 4 ft tall.

The distance requirements vary depending on the classification of street, please contact the Harrison Assistant Planner to determine the vision clearance triangle. This lets pedestrians and vehicles have a clear view of traffic.

In-ground pools and above-ground pools less than 42 inches in height must be enclosed by a fence that is at least 4 ft high, or have a pool cover. A pool fence must also have a gate with a latch.

Pools approved without a 4 ft high fence should have controlled access to the pool. A removable ladder or pool cover or pool dome is an easy way to meet this requirement.

## Materials:

**Barbed wire fences are prohibited.**

Fences located in the front yard must be constructed of wood, brick, vinyl, or stone.

The finished side of the fence shall be erected to face the adjacent property. The side with protruding studs or post must face the interior of the lot on which it is being constructed.

**2.** Locate your property lines. There may be metal stakes at each corner of your lot. Talk with your neighbors or use a metal detector. If you cannot locate your property lines you may need to hire a surveyor to stake your property.

**3.** Call Digger's Hotline at (800) 242-8511 to avoid underground utilities. Call We Energies at (414) 221-2750 to inquire about placing a fence within the utility easement. You may need to change the fence placement based on this information.

**4.** Complete a Zoning Permit application. A Zoning Permit is required to erect a fence. You may obtain a zoning permit application at the Village Hall or downloaded from the Harrison website **Harrison-wi.org**.

**5.** Turn in a completed permit application, site plan, and fee to the Assistant Planner at the Village Hall. The site plan should be provided on a separate 8.5" x 11" drawing. The site plan should include the location of the fence, the dimensions, and the distance from all property lines.

**6.** Planning staff will review the permit application. If approved, a Zoning Permit will be issued which may include conditions of approval.

**7.** Start the work that the permit was issued for. Display the permit where it can be seen from the street for the duration of construction. Install the fencing according to the manufacturer's instructions.