

FENCE AND/OR WALL CONSTRUCTION

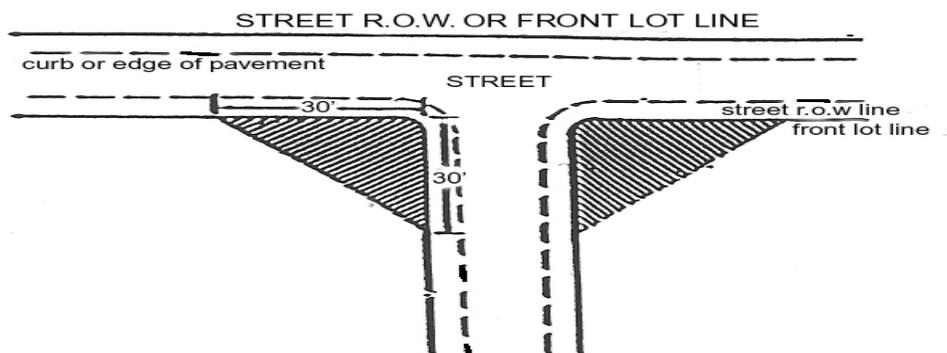
WESTPORT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Effective March 1, 2005 the definition of fence/wall in Sec. 5-2 of the Westport Zoning Regulations is as follows:

Fence or Wall: Any rigid barrier which serves to separate one portion of land from another and may serve to prevent intrusion.

BEFORE a fence or wall is erected in the Town of Westport the following steps must be taken.

1. The property boundaries of any wetlands, watercourses or flood zone boundary should be clearly delineated in the field by a licensed land surveyor. If there are wetlands or watercourses near the proposed fence location or the property is located in a flood zone, check with the Conservation Department for their permit requirements.
2. The fence must be erected within the property's boundaries.
3. If the fence is 8 feet or less the fence can be erected up to the property line. **DO NOT** erect the fence over this line onto neighboring property. The height of the fence is measured from the existing grade of the property.
4. If the fence is more than 8 feet high it cannot be erected in the setback. A survey will be required to confirm that the fence or wall will not be in the setback and a Zoning permit is required prior to installation of the fence. A final survey maybe required to confirm the location.
5. If the fence is to be erected at intersecting streets or right-of-way lines it cannot be erected within a 30-foot corner triangle formed at the intersection, in accordance with Section 31-3, Fences and Walls, Obstructions at Corners. The corner triangle is determined as follows:



6. Any fence or wall built beyond your property's boundaries onto Town property must be removed immediately.
7. If the property has wetlands and/or watercourses or is located near the coast, check with the Conservation Department for their permit requirements.
8. If the property is located in the Kings Highway Historic District or the Jesup Road Historic District, a Certificate of Appropriateness is required from the Historic District Commission.

Planning & Zoning Regulations are available at www.westportct.gov