

Regulations – Fences

Application fee: \$50 (non-refundable).

Permits are conditional upon the following:

- Zoning must allow construction of proposed structure.
- All applications must include the applicable fees and:
 - A legal survey
 - A preliminary plot plan sketched on the survey.
 - The exact dimensions of the proposed fence.
- The maximum height of a fence erected for residential purposes shall be a maximum of 1.8 meters above grade.
- The maximum height of a fence erected for purposes other than residential shall be at Council's discretion.
- No fence shall obscure a clear view of street intersections, pedestrian pathways, driveways, or any other points of access or egress of vehicles or pedestrian traffic. Fences shall not be constructed to impede access for firefighting purposes and shall not be constructed within two meters of a fire hydrant.
- No fence shall be constructed within 3 meters of the paved surface of the road. No fence shall be constructed where it could interfere with snow clearing operations.
- Fence must enclose legally surveyed land only.

Additional Conditions

- All measurements must be metric.
- Structures are to be located, built and/or renovated in accordance to plans and location plan submitted.
- Structures are to be constructed in accordance to the National Building Code and all applicable legislation.
- All structures are to be used for domestic purpose only: no commercial uses are permitted.
- Approval is to be obtained from any or all of the following departments, as applicable: Government Services (Health), Fire Life & Safety, Building Accessibility, Transportation, Environment and/ or Crown Lands.
- Builder must maintain reasonable cleanliness of site at all times.

All permits issued by the town are valid for a period of one (1) year only. The town does not provide inspections, and compliance to existing national or provincial building codes is the responsibility of the applicant. It is the responsibility of homeowners to notify the Town when new homes are occupied for the purpose of garbage collection. Above is a list of the most common regulations. For the complete list, please consult the Town of Witless Bay Municipal Zoning and Land Use Plan and the Town's by-laws and regulations pertaining to development and permits (as well as applicable Provincial and Federal laws, regulations and statutes).