

Do I need a permit for a fence? What requirements apply?

If the fence is over seven feet in height, a Building Permit is required. There are no requirements regarding which way the fence faces. The State Building Code, 780 CMR regulates the height of the fence. Fence can be installed close to the property line, as long as no part of it extends over a neighbor's property.

Zoning Bylaw 4.2.10 Corner Clearance: Within an area formed by the side lines of intersecting streets and a line joining points on such lines fifteen (15) feet distant from their point of intersection, or in case of a rounded corner, from the point of intersection of their tangents, no structure shall be erected and no foliage maintained between a height of three and one half (3.5) feet and a height of eight (8) feet above the plane through their curb grades.

