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Fence permit planning sheet

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The starting point

Covered new Fort Wayne fences need a DPS FEN/ILP. Prepare the FEN form, site plan with location/setbacks, style photo and district-qualified fee. Use official Citizen Access or paper DPS intake and obtain the ILP before covered work. Separately resolve Building Department applicability and fence-specific compliance/closeout duties. This guide decides neither branch; payment or FEN issuance alone is not all-project authorization.

Before work starts

- [ ] Confirm incorporated Fort Wayne, city zoning/PD, legal boundaries and easements; shared DPS hosting does not make county rules applicable.
- [ ] Describe ordinary new fencing; identify repair, farm, temporary, screening, pool, retaining, powered or floodplain work separately.
- [ ] Complete FEN and its acknowledgement; add the location/setback plan and type/style photo, not unrelated whole-house plans.
- [ ] Have DPS review location, materials, grade, frontage, platted lines and easements; no generic height or visibility formula supplied.
- [ ] File through Citizen Access or paper DPS intake; resolve the district-qualified fee and review, then obtain the required ILP.
- [ ] Separately resolve building, compliance, inspection and closeout duties; retain the written determinations and approval records.

Not a permit, property survey, engineering plan or legal determination.

Confirm current rules, site conditions and required approvals with the authority.

Official sources, conditions and the full guide:

fenceadvisors.com/blog/fort-wayne-in-fence-permits-code

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