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Fence permit planning sheet

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The starting point

Raleigh requires zoning approval for new/moved residential fences and replacement of at least 50%. Below that, changing material, height or location still triggers review; ask how the city calculates the percentage. Submit the residential application, fence illustration and site plan as unsecured PDFs through the Permit and Development Portal. Resolve special-site, easement and visibility reviews, pay the actual invoice and obtain the permit before work. Arrange the required post-construction inspection.

Before work starts

- [ ] Confirm Raleigh city/planning jurisdiction, zoning, historic status and the actual lot boundaries.
- [ ] Describe new work, relocation or replacement, including changed material, height, length and location.
- [ ] Check street visibility, thoroughfare rules, tree conservation, drainage and utility permissions.
- [ ] Prepare the residential application, fence illustration and sufficient site-plan PDFs; resolve required prerequisite reviews.
- [ ] Submit through the city portal, answer corrections, verify the fee classification and obtain issued approval before work.
- [ ] Arrange the required fence inspection and retain the permit, approved plans and completion 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/raleigh-nc-fence-permits-code

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