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**TOPIC: Fences and Similar Structures**

**CODE: Bend Code Title 9  
Bend Development Code Title 3.2.500**

**I. Purpose**

The purpose of this document is to establish standards for the installation of Fences and similar structures (Fences) in the City of Bend in order to provide adequate and uniform Building Safety Code standards. This document does not apply to retaining walls; please see separate Retaining Walls policy.

**II. Policy**

1. Bend Development Code Chapter 3.2.500 regulates all other aspects of Fences not specified in this document.
2. Title 9 of the Bend Code authorizes the Building Official to regulate certain fences. For the purpose of constructions standards, regulated fences shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice, and must comply with the applicable sections of the Building Code.
3. Building permits are required for the following fences:
  - a. Solid lightweight fences (wood, vinyl, etc.) greater than 7 feet in height.
  - b. Open wire fences greater than 8 feet in height.
  - c. Block Fences (CMU, Concrete, and Rock) greater than 4 feet in height.
4. Construction documents must be provided for all fences requiring a permit.
  - a. Construction documents for fences must bear the stamp of a Design Professional registered in the State of Oregon.

**III. Procedure**

Permit Submittal Requirements:

1. Complete and submit a Construction Permit Application. Application shall be made to the City of Bend and shall consist of the following:
  - a. Provide a parcel map, show all building(s), structure(s) and location of fence, and indicate what is new (N) and existing (E), show all property lines. The parcel map must be drawn to scale and fully dimensioned.
  - b. Provide a vicinity map, include the street that the project is on and the cross street, and include a north arrow.
  - c. Provide the location(s) of all building exits and routes to public way.
  - d. Provide detailed construction documents of fence. See Section II above for stamping requirements.