

**TOWNSHIP OF TOMS RIVER
ZONING OFFICE
33 Washington Street
Toms River, NJ 08754
FENCES**

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS GENERAL IN NATURE AND MAY NOT BE ALL ENCOMPASSING. APPLICANTS ARE CAUTIONED THAT ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC STATE AND LOCAL CODES NOT LISTED HERE MAY REGULATE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS NATURE.

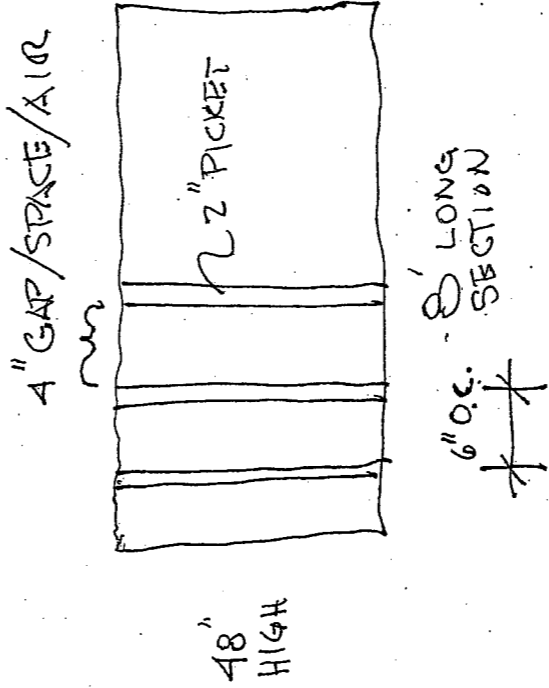
1. A Zoning Permit is required for ALL fences.
2. With the exception of pool enclosures, no Construction Permit is required for fence construction.
3. In order to get a Zoning Permit for a fence, you must follow the "Zoning Permit Instructions" handout. The application must be filed in Town Hall.
4. As a general rule, fences situated between the building line and any street must be "open" and not exceed 48" in height.
5. Fences located within 20' of any body of water must be "open" and must not exceed 48" in height.
6. An "open" fence is a fence in which 2/3 of the area between grade level and the fence top is open. In other words, an open fence must be 66% open.
7. Picket fences with gaps twice as wide as the picket are considered 66% open. That is, the space between the pickets must be twice the width of the picket in order to be considered 2/3 open. Typical lattice wood fences with opening 2 3/4" x 2 3/4" and 1 3/8" wood slats are 26% open and do not meet the definition of "open".
8. Fences may be constructed on the property line.
9. On any residential lot having an area of less than 2000 square feet, or on any parcel contiguous to a parcel having an area less than 2000 square feet, only open fences not exceeding 36" in height above ground level may be erected.
10. Fences may not be constructed within the public right-of-way.
11. Barbed wire, canvas, cloth, electrically charged, expandable and collapsible fences are prohibited.
12. All supporting members of a fence must be located on the inside of the fence.
13. No taxes will be assessed on a residential fence.

TOWNSHIP OF DOVER
MEMORANDUM

To: FILE
From: MACKLE
Date: 5/5/87
Subject: OPEN FENCE CALCULATIONS

WOOD PICKET FENCES WITH OPENINGS
TWICE AS WIDE AS PICKET WIDTH MEET
THE DEFINITION OF OPEN FENCES.

EXAMPLE:

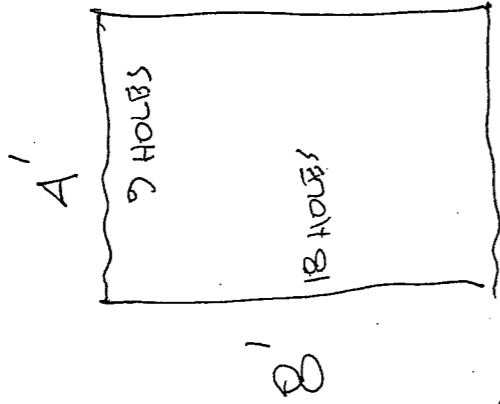


$$(16 \text{ OPENINGS}) \times (4" \text{ WIDE OPENING}) \times (48" \text{ HEIGHT}) \times \left(\frac{\text{FT}^2}{144 \text{ IN}^2} \right) = 21.33 \text{ FT}^2$$

$$\frac{21.33 \text{ FT}^2}{4' \times 8' \text{ SHEET/SECTION}} = \frac{2}{3} = 67\% \text{ OPENING}$$

LATTICE FENCE WITH OPENINGS

$2\frac{3}{4}$ " X $2\frac{3}{4}$ " IS 26% OPEN



$9 \times 18 = 162$ HOLES / OPENINGS
IN A 4' X 8' SHEET OF
LATTICE

$$2\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1 \text{ FT}^2}{144 \text{ in}^2} \times 162 \text{ OPENINGS} = 8.51 \text{ FT}^2$$

8.51 FT² OF OPENINGS IN 4' X 8' SHEET

$$\frac{8.51 \text{ FT}^2}{32 \text{ FT}^2 \text{ SHEET}} = 26\%$$

OR $\approx \frac{1}{4}$ OPEN

CODE REQUIRES $\frac{2}{3}$ OPEN OR 67%

CONCLUSION: LATTICE FENCES WITH
 $2\frac{3}{4}$ " X $2\frac{3}{4}$ " OPENINGS
AND $1\frac{3}{8}$ " WOOD SLATS
DO NOT COMPLY WITH
 $\frac{2}{3}$ OPEN FENCE DEFINITION.