

**ZONING/OCCUPANCY PERMIT APPLICATION
FENCES, SHRUBS & BARRIERS**

Date of Application _____

Name _____

Address of Property _____

Applicant's mailing address _____

Email Address _____

Phone _____

Current use of property? Residential _____ Commercial _____ Vacant Land _____

Other _____

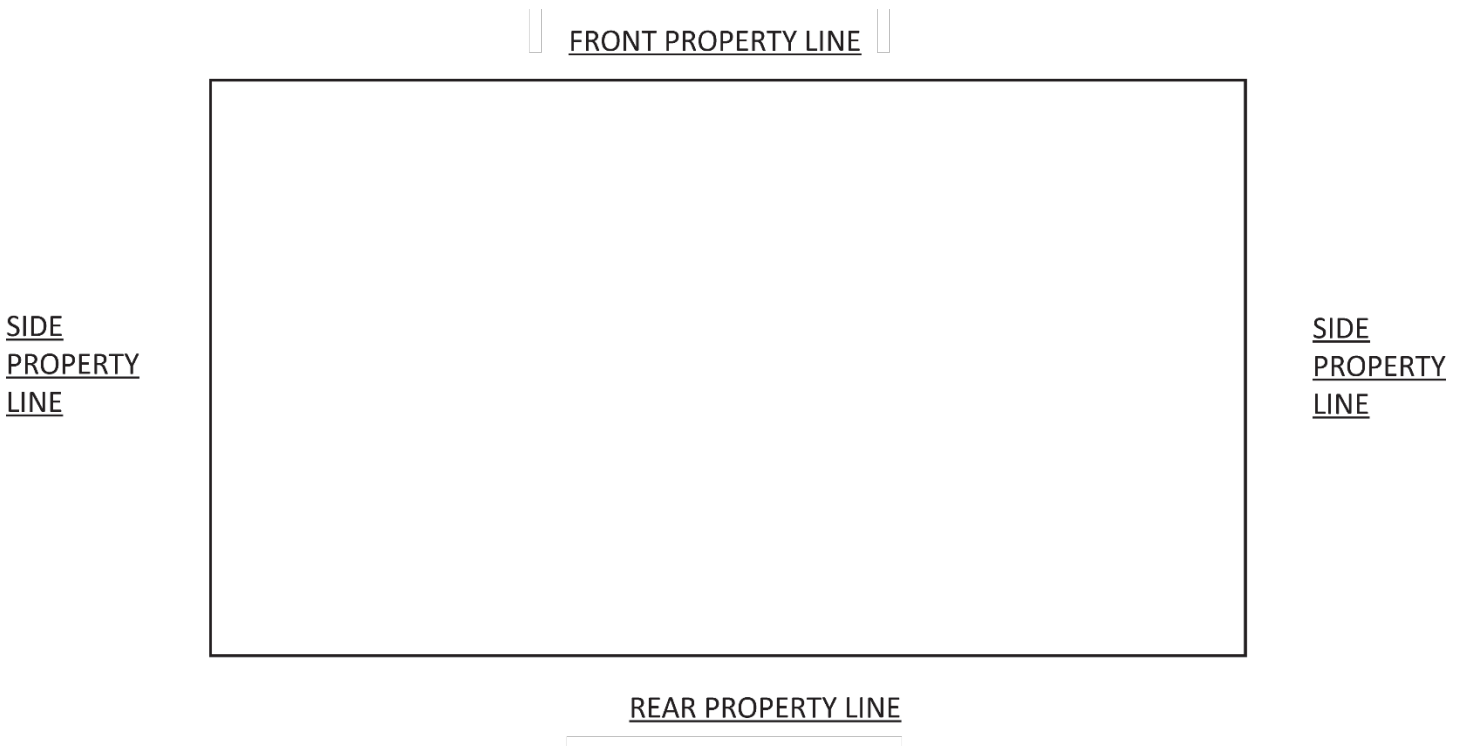
What is the proposed project on your property?

**KENNEDY TOWNSHIP
ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION**

Kennedy Township requires that a Zoning Permit be issued for the construction of fences, sheds and other accessory structures that do not require a Building Permit under Township Ordinance No. 478. The purpose of this Permit is to ensure that the materials and property setbacks are in compliance with Township Zoning Ordinance No. 478.

REQUIREMENTS:

- The Site Plan below depicting your project and the setbacks from all the adjoining property lines must accompany this application.
- The cost of your project if using a contractor.
- If you are using a contractor, proof of liability and workers compensation insurance must accompany this application; or a completed Waiver form (Provided with application).
- \$50.00 filing fee.



THIS DIAGRAM REPRESENTS YOUR PROPERTY. DRAW ALL EXISTING BUILDINGS AND NEW PROJECTS SUCH AS SHEDS AND FENCES. INCLUDE THE SETBACK FOOTAGE FROM ALL NEIGHBORING PROPERTY LINES TO THE NEW PROJECT, AND THE HEIGHT AND OTHER PERTINENT MEASUREMENTS OF YOUR PROJECT.

Workers' Compensation Insurance – Coverage Information Form
(attach to Building Permit Application)

A. Name of Applicant _____

Applicant or Contractor is a contractor within the meaning of the Pennsylvania Workers' Compensation law? _____ Yes _____ No

If the answer is "Yes", complete sections B & D below as appropriate.

If the answer is "No", complete sections C & D below as appropriate.

B. Insurance Information

Contractor _____

Name

Federal or State Employer Identification Number _____

Applicant is a qualified self-insurer for Workers' Compensation _____ Certificate attached.

Name of Workers' Compensation Insurer _____

Certificate Attached _____ Policy Number _____ Expiration Date _____

C. Exemption (Complete Section C if the applicant is a contractor claiming exemption from providing Workers' Compensation Insurance).

The undersigned swears or affirms that he/she is not required to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance under the provisions of Pennsylvania's Workers' Compensation Law for one of the following reasons, as indicated:

_____ Property owner doing own work. If property owner does hire contractor to perform any work pursuant to building permit, contractor must provide proof of Workers' Compensation Insurance.

_____ Contractor with no employees. Contractor prohibited by law from employing any individual to perform work pursuant to this building permit unless contractor provides proof of insurance.

_____ Religious exemption under the Workers' Compensation Law. All employees of contractor are exempt from Workers' Compensation Insurance (attach copies of religious exemption letters for all employees).

D. Signatures

Applicant

Municipality of

Address

County of

Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by the above this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

SECTION 802: FENCES, SHRUBS AND BARRIERS

- 802.1** PERMIT REQUIRED: In consideration of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Kennedy Township, no person, corporation, partnership, company or other entity shall construct, install, add to, or alter a fence, wall or other barrier unless any and all permits are first secured.
- 802.2** DRAWING REQUIRED: A drawing with precise dimensions and materials to be used shall be submitted with the permit application. Any fence, wall or barrier or combination thereof which is erected and does not comply with the drawing submitted by the applicant shall be deemed a violation of Ordinance 478.
- 802.3** SETBACKS: Subject to the following conditions, fences may be erected along the boundaries of a lot. It is specifically noted that consideration of a "fence" shall be considered to be any form of fence, wall, and/or the utilization of shrubbery that is designated to separate properties.
1. Any fence, wall, and/or shrubbery utilized as a fence/wall/divider shall be erected along the boundaries of a lot with a setback of not less than two (2) feet.
 2. Front Yard Fences shall be no more than four (4) feet in height, shall have an area setback of not less than two (2) feet. A fence, wall, shrub or other plantings or objects which abut an intersection will be restricted by a clear sight triangle of at least seventy-five (75) feet so as not to obstruct the view of oncoming traffic.
 3. Side and Rear Yard Fence not more than seven (7) feet in height may be erected in any required side or rear yard within the buildable area. A fence not more than ten (10) feet in height may be built in any required yard for schools, playgrounds, or parks; or in any required side or rear yard in commercial or industrial districts.
 4. Any fence that is erected shall be of durable material and shall be constructed so as to be compatible with the characteristics of the neighborhood and constructed of materials in use within the zoning district. Such fences include but are not limited to cyclone fences, redwood or similar wood material fences and fences constructed of plastic or approved non-wood material.
- 802.4** PROHIBITED FENCES, WALLS OR OTHER BARRIERS:
1. Barbed wire and all other fencing, walls or barriers that are designed to cut or injure are prohibited in all residential districts. In zoning districts other than Residential, such fencing, wall or barrier shall not be permitted, unless a request is made to the Board of Commissioners and approved by a majority vote at a public meeting.
 2. No fence, wall or other barrier or any combination thereof of any type shall be erected or permitted to remain in any public or utility right of way. If a fence, wall, or other barrier or any combination thereof of any type is erected or permitted to remain in any public or utility right of way, the property owner shall be deemed to

have consented to the Township to remove the same and the costs therefore assessed to the property owner as a confession of judgement.

3. Fences, walls or other barriers or any combination thereof shall not be constructed of Jersey Barriers, I-Beams (except when used for weight bearing), Barrels or Drums, Wooden Pallets, Plywood Sheets or any other materials not generally utilized or accepted in the industry as appropriate for said purpose.

802.5 CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS:

1. All fences, walls or other barriers erected must be of good quality and workmanship and must be firmly and sturdily footed in the ground. Only those materials regularly used in the industry for the construction of fences may be utilized.
2. The finished surface of materials used construct a fence shall face the abutting property or where, because of the method of construction, there is no distinction in surface treatment, the material shall be placed at the discretion of the property owner who secured the permit.

802.6 TREATMENT OF METAL FENCES:

1. Any fence erected which is made of a metal fabric or which is partially made of any metal fabric, shall be galvanized or otherwise treated to prevent the formation of rust and the metal used in the fabric shall be at least eleven (11) gauge or heavier.
2. Any fence which becomes more rusted than not shall be repaired or replaced by the property owner within sixty (60) days notice thereof.

802.7 MAINTENANCE; STURDINESS:

1. All fences, walls, or other barriers shall be maintained in a sturdy and good condition. Fences, walls or other barriers which overturn, collapse, fall, deteriorate or become loose, rusted or rotted, whether in whole or in part, shall be repaired, replaced or removed with sixty (60) days notice thereof. To the extent that shrubbery is involved with the fences, or is utilized as a fence to divide properties, such shrub shall be maintained so as to not encroach upon the adjacent property.