



THE BOROUGH OF BEAVER

Application For

2023 FENCE PERMIT

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Today's date: _____ Zoning District: _____ Tax Parcel #: _____

Property address: _____

Applicant name: _____ Phone: _____

Applicant address: _____ Email: _____

Property owner name: _____ Phone: _____

Property owner address: _____ Email: _____

Description of construction:

_____ Estimated cost: _____

Architect/Engineer: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Contractor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Berkheimer Contractor Number: _____ Estimated start date: _____

The above information is true and correct and I hereby agree that all applicable provisions of the borough codes will be complied with, as well as the requirements from the municipal water & sewage authority and the PA Dept. of Labor & Industry, whether specified or not.

Printed Name

Applicant Signature

Date

The Borough of Beaver Building and Zoning Permit Agreement

*** This form must be signed by the property owner and the applicant***

In consideration of the issuance by the Borough of Beaver of a Building/Zoning Permit to the undersigned Applicant, the Applicant acknowledges that, in reviewing plans and specifications, in issuing permits, and in inspecting work of the Applicant, employees of the Borough are only performing their duties to require compliance with the minimum requirements of the applicable ordinances of the Borough pursuant to the police power of the Borough, and are not warranting to the Applicant or to any third party, the quality or adequacy of the design, engineering or work of the Applicant. The Applicant further acknowledges that it will not be possible for the Borough to review every aspect of the Applicant's design and engineering, or to inspect every aspect of the Applicant's work. Accordingly, neither the Borough nor any of its elected or appointed officials or employees shall have liability to the applicant for defects or shortcomings should have been discovered during the Borough's review or inspections.

The Applicant agrees to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the Borough, its elected and appointed officials and employees from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, and causes of action of any one or more third parties arising out of or relating to the Borough's review or inspection of the Applicant's design, engineering or work, or insurance of a permit or permits, or arising out of or relating to the design, engineering or work done by the Applicant pursuant to such permit or permits.

All references in this agreement are applicable to the Applicant's employees, agents, independent contractors, subcontractors of any other persons or entities performing work pursuant to the issuance of the Building or Zoning Permit by the Borough.

Furthermore, the Applicant is hereby informed that any violation(s) of the Building Code and/or the Zoning Code for the Borough of Beaver is subject to fines and penalties as stated in applicable ordinance(s)

Applicant Signature

Date

**Property Owner(s) Signature

Date

**** (MUST be Notarized if the property owner is not the applicant)**

2023 Fees:

\$150: Zoning/Occupancy/Building/Sign/New Single Family Dwelling/Additions to existing Building

\$200: New Residential more than Single Family Dwelling (cost per unit-\$175)

\$250: New Commercial (per 1st 2000 sq. ft. + \$25 per additional 1,000 sq ft.)

\$50: Fence

Permit Fee: _____ - PERMIT FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE

Date Paid: _____ ☐ Cash ☐ Check # _____

☐ Approved ☐ Denied Date: _____

Zoning Officer Signature

Reason for Denial: _____

Approval is subject to the conditions noted: _____

Needs M.D.I.A Approval ☐ Yes ☐ No

Building Code Official Signature ☐ Approved ☐ Denied Date: _____

Permit #

Date Issued

NOTARY
SEAL

The Borough of Beaver

Building and Zoning Permit Guidelines

1. All permit applications must be completed before it will be reviewed for Zoning and Building code compliance.
2. All applications for additions, porches, accessory structures, fences, and similar structures **may need a survey** indicating applicable setbacks for all structures on the same parcel.
3. Three (3) sets of building plans and/or specifications are to be submitted with the application for additions, new structures, and commercial projects. All applications that involve commercial and/or structural work must include drawings and specifications signed and sealed by a licensed architect or engineer. All work must comply with Building Code.
4. Plans for structures other than 1 or 2 family dwellings or minor renovations, must be submitted to a certified plan review agency for review and approval at the applicant(s) expense. Details on the foundation, footer, and wall cross sections must be submitted. This includes details on the fill around the footer and the plan for footer drains, and basement floor channel drains. Sizing and spacing of framing members should be included.
5. The OWNER of the property must sign the Permit Agreement. The Permit Agreement must be notarized if the owner is not the applicant and the owner is not able to sign the Permit Agreement in the presence of the Building Official.
6. All fees must be paid prior to issuing a permit.
The fees for Building/Zoning Permits are as follows: \$150 (all Construction Projects) \$50 (Fence/wall). See fee schedule for a complete and accurate list. Please note that M.D.I.A. Has their own fee schedule. We will notify the applicant of their fees prior to issuing a permit. See our current fee schedule for additional fees.
7. The Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer will act upon a completed application for a Building/Zoning Application within 30 days of receiving the completed application.
8. If the work described in any Permit has not begun within six (6) months from the date of issuance thereof, said Permit shall expire and be canceled. If the described work has not been substantially completed within 18 months of the date of issuance thereof, said Permit and any zoning relief shall expire and be cancelled.
9. It shall be the applicants' responsibility to obtain all applicable permits and approvals from the PA Department of Labor and Industry and the PA UCC at (717)787-3806.
10. If the property does or will require access to a public road and/or will require improvement/change of existing driveway access to a public road: If such public road is under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth of PA, you must obtain a Highway Occupancy Permit. Application for such Highway Occupancy Permit as to a Commonwealth road must be made to, with and process by the PA Dept. of Transportation. If such road is under the jurisdiction of Beaver Borough you must apply for and obtain a Driveway Permit from the Borough.
11. An issued building/zoning permit must be posted and displayed prominently on the premises by the applicant, facing the street of the address, until all such work has been completed.
12. Any denial can be appealed to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Note: This list is not all-inclusive. The Borough of Beaver reserves the right to add, delete, and change these requirements.

All public and private construction, demolition and grading work, and related activities performed pursuant to a building permit shall be performed between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00pm, Monday through Saturday, and no such work shall be performed at any time on Sundays or legal holidays, unless the permit holder obtains written consent from the Borough.

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Certificate of Insurance/Affidavit of Exemption

The applicant for the building permit, in compliance with the Worker's Compensation Reform Act #44 of 1993, hereby submits (Check One):

- ☐ Certificate of Insurance (please attach)
- ☐ Certificate of Self Insurance (complete below)
- ☐ Affidavit of Exemption (complete & notarize exemption form)

If a certificate of Insurance or Self-Insurance has been submitted, please complete the following:

Name of Insurer or Self-Insurer: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Policy #: _____ Coverage Period Ends: _____

Name of Contractor/Policy holder: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contractor/Policy Holder's Federal/State Employer Identification # (EIN): _____

1. This policy provides coverage for requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act, the Occupational Disease Act, and, where applicable, the Federal Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.
2. The insurer has been notified that the municipality issuing the building permit is to be named a policy certificate holder.
3. Any subcontractors used on this project will be required to carry their own workers' compensation coverage.
4. The contractor/policyholder will notify the municipality of any change in status, cancellation or expiration of workers' compensation coverage.
5. Violation of the Workers' Compensation Act or the terms of this permit will subject the contractor/policy holder to a stop-work and other fines and penalties as provided by law.

The Borough of Beaver Affidavit of Exemption Form

If an exemption is being claimed, please complete the following and sign in the presence of a notary public:

Basis for Exemption

- ☐ Applicant is an individual who owns the property - (Homeowner is doing the work)
- ☐ Contractor/Applicant is a sole proprietorship without employees
- ☐ Contractor/Applicant is a corporation, and the only employees working on the project have and are qualified as "Executive employees" under Section 104 of the Workers' Compensation Act.
- ☐ All of the Contractor/Applicant's employees on the project are exempt on religious grounds under section 304.2 of the Workers' Compensation Act.

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Applicant's Federal or State Employer Identification # (EIN): _____

1. Any subcontractors used on this project will be required to carry their own workers' compensation coverage.
2. The applicant is not permitted to employ any individual to perform work on this project pursuant to the permit in violation of the Act.
3. Violation of the Workers' Compensation Act or the terms of this permit will subject the applicant to a stop-work order and other fines and penalties provided by law.

State of _____

County of _____

Notary SEAL

My signature on behalf or as the contractor/applicant for this building permit constitutes my verification that the statements contained here are true, and that I am subject to the penalty of 18 PA C.S.A. S4909 relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.

Applicant/Contractor Signature

Please Print

this _____ day of _____
day Month Year

Signature of Notary

Printed Name of Notary

My commission expires: _____

Beaver Borough Fence Ordinance Checklist

A fence permit is required before proceeding with the installation of a fence. A permit application can be acquired at the borough office. A property owner must complete the application, submit a copy of their property survey and receive an approved permit before the work begins.

§27-1402 Fences [Ord. 778, 5/8/2012, § 1]

1. Fences shall conform to the following conditions:

- ✓ No fence shall exceed a height of six feet.
- ✓ If the fence has only one good side then the good side must be facing outward.
- ✓ Fences can be erected in the side yard and backyard. No setbacks from the side and backyard property lines are required.
- ✓ A fence cannot be located in the front yard unless it is ornamental in design and less than thirty inches (30") in height.
- ✓ Fences must be held back at least twelve inches (12") from any sidewalk abutting a street.
- ✓ No fence shall obstruct or interfere with the visibility of vehicular traffic on the abutting streets or alleys, or with the visibility of vehicular traffic from a driveway on the owner's lot or any adjacent lot.
- ✓ To prevent the creation of a traffic hazard by impairing the view at a street intersection, a clear sight triangle shall be maintained. Such triangle shall consist of the center lines of the intersecting streets or alleys and a line joining points on such center lines 75 feet in each direction from their point of intersection. Within this triangular area no fence shall exceed a height of 3 1/2 feet above the surface of the intersection.

§27-202 Meaning of the Term Fence

An artificially constructed barrier of any material or combination of material erected to enclose, screen or separate areas, excluding barbed, electrified or razor wire fencing.

§27-202 Meaning of the Term Ornamental Fence

A designed open or solid fence that contributes to the identification and appearance of the principal use, does not act as a retaining structure and is made of material that is not typically utilized in security structures such as chain link fencing.

§27-1905. Penalty for Violation

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate this provision shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$500 plus all court costs, including reasonable attorney fees incurred by the Borough as a result thereof. Each day a violation is continued shall be deemed a separate offense.

*Please note that no setbacks from the side and backyard property lines are required for erecting a fence. However to maintain goodwill and avoid misunderstandings the Borough strongly recommends that property owners inform their neighbor before installing a fence on the property line.

If you have questions please contact the Borough's Code Enforcement Officers.