Do I need a permit for a residential fence?

Fences are allowed without a permit provided they meet the following conditions:

1. They are not constructed of barbed wire and are not electrified.

2. Fences located in side and rear yards do not exceed six feet in height. In front yards, starting at the front setback line, height of fences are not to exceed four feet in height.

3. It is possible for fences to be built up to eight feet in height through the Administrative Modification process should these regulations restrict reasonable screening of one’s property, provided certain conditions are met. Please contact the Planning Dept. for further questions about this process.

4. On corner lots, for safety reasons, fences, walls and hedges may not be built to a height or constructed of materials that obstruct vision of an intersecting street. (*See Diagram)

5. Fences may be built anywhere on the property, including on the property line. It is the responsibility of the owner to locate the property line.
For questions or additional information:

Call...
City of Mukilteo
Planning and Community Development Department
(425) 263-8000
Fax (425) 212-2068

Location...
11930 Cyrus Way
Mukilteo, Washington 98275

Hours...
Monday - Thursday
7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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