



Village of Arlington Heights
Building & Life Safety Department
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Open Excavations or Areas of Construction

All construction that will have open excavations or exterior work above the first floor level shall be secured with a fence to prevent persons from falling into the excavation or being injured because of the construction activity.

If a permit authorizes demolition or construction of a new structure or addition, the work area is required to be fenced. This fencing must be installed prior to any work commencing and must remain in place until the demolition is completed with no additional work anticipated on the site, or written confirmation from the building inspector that there are no open excavations and the site can be secured after the fence has been removed.

The perimeter of the work area shall be protected by a fence, not less than 5 feet in height. The fence must be of chain link or equal quality and strength, and firmly weighted to or anchored into the ground, with uprights at a maximum of 8 feet on center. All doors or gates in the fence must be locked at all times other than when there is work taking place in the site.

Failure to comply may result in a STOP WORK Order being issued, an emergency fence being rented and installed by the Village and citations being issued.

Under the NPDES Phase II program through the US EPA, storm water runoff from private construction sites must be controlled. Prior to any excavation work, a silt fence must be properly installed around the perimeter of the work area and maintained until final restoration. Failure to comply will result in the issuance of a Stop Work Order. Property must be graded to prevent water from ponding.

In addition, grass and weeds on properties under construction must be cut and maintained below 8 inches in height. Failure to comply will result in the Village having the property maintained and billing the undersigned for the expense.

This is to acknowledge that no underground oil storage tanks have been located at the above address. Where an oil tank is located, proper documentation and release from the Office of the State Fire Marshall must be submitted before the issuance of the permit.

The undersigned has read and does understand all of the above:

Date: _____

Job-Site Address: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

Company Phone Number: _____