



HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP

13 West Creamery Road

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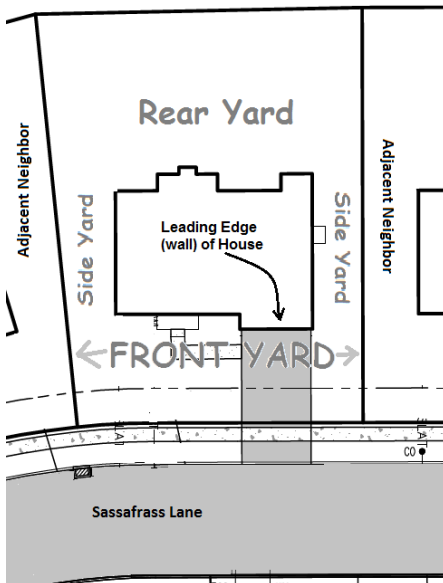
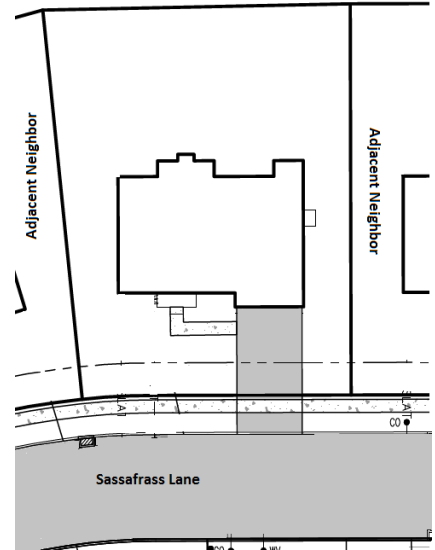
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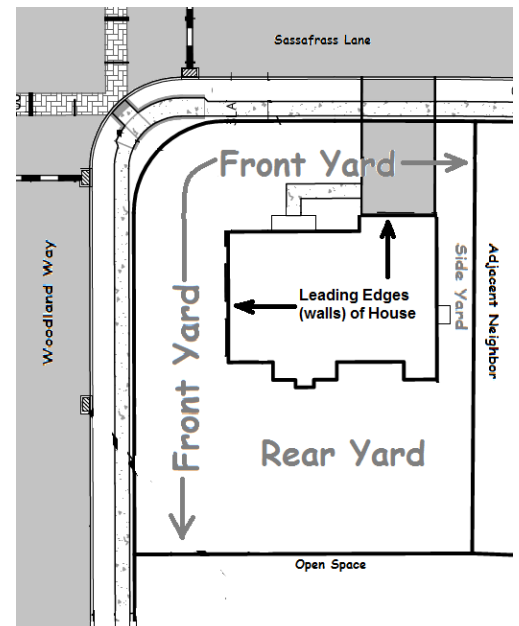
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RESIDENTIAL FENCE REQUIREMENTS

- Zoning Permits are required any new fence installation. To apply for a fence permit, you must submit a completed zoning permit application, along with the application fee and a **plot plan** communicating where you propose to place your fence.
- A **permit application** may be picked up at the Township Administration Building, or downloaded from Twp. website Please refer to **current fee schedule** for zoning permit fee.
- Your fence must be **one foot (1')** away from your property line, unless you have written permission from the adjacent neighbor to place it on the property line or closer than one foot (1').



- A fence may be up to four feet (4') high in Front Yard areas, and up to eight feet (8') high on Side and Rear Yard areas. A building and zoning permit will be required for any fence above six (6') feet.
- Your **FRONT YARD** is any area closer to the road than the leading edge of your house (excluding porches) and stretches for the entire width of the lot.

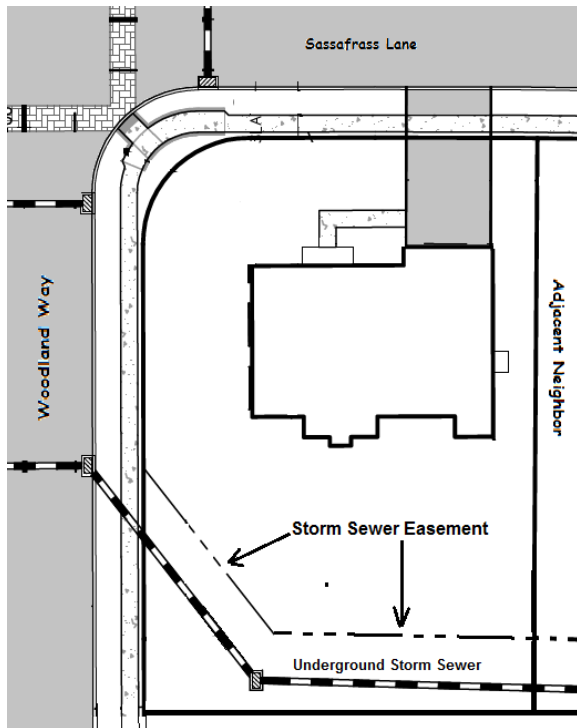


- A **CORNER LOT** has two (2) Front Yards, one (1) Rear Yard and all remaining yards (if more than one) are Side Yards.

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RESIDENTIAL FENCE REQUIREMENTS (cont.)



- Additionally, the fence may not be placed in any Open Space or Easement Areas (Stormwater, Water and Sewer, etc.).

- A permit is not required if you are replacing a legally existing fence in the same location, and at the same height (style of fence does not matter). **However**, if you are moving the fence or increasing the height, then a permit is required.
- There are no ‘Architectural/Styling’ requirements for fences; there are no requirements that the ‘good side’ of a fence face this way or that way.
- The fence may not be in the Right-Of Way for the road; in most newer developments, this line is generally a foot back from the edge of the sidewalk (if a sidewalk is present), but not always.

~If you are not putting a fence in a front yard, this is not a concern~

A listing of Public Roadway Right of Way Widths is available on the [Hilltown Township website](#). Once you determine your Right-of-Way width, measure half the determined width from the center of the road, and that is your ‘Edge of Right-of-Way’.

There may be other requirements or conditions that are identified on your individual lot when the Zoning Office reviews your application; however, these are the most common conditions and requirements.