



If you are installing a . . .

WALLS

Walls shall be permitted as an accessory use in all zoning districts in accordance with certain regulations.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

Are permits required for walls?

Yes, prior to the erection or alteration of any wall, a permit for same shall be obtained from the Zoning Office in accordance with all applicable procedures and requirements of the Department.

What are the restrictions on freestanding walls?

Freestanding walls shall be constructed with the following materials only:

- Stone, brick, concrete or cinder block faced with stone, brick or similar masonry material.
- Concrete shadow and open block, concrete and cinder block coated with concrete or stucco material and painted concrete block.

What are height restrictions on retaining walls?

The maximum height of any retaining wall, regardless of zoning district or yard location, shall be six (6) feet. For purposes of applying height limits, multiple, staggered or tiered walls shall be considered single walls unless there is a minimum horizontal distance of ten (10) feet between the top of any section or tier and the base of any one section or tier; the horizontal distance between the top of any section or tier shall be equal to or greater than the height of the taller section or tier. These provisions shall apply to multiple staggered or tiered walls which span property lines.

Prior to final approval of any retaining walls exceeding four (4) feet in height, a certification shall be provided by a New Jersey licensed professional engineer attesting that the retaining wall was constructed in conformance with the structural design.

Retaining walls shall be exempt from the requirements of §230-71B(12) regarding grading and slope; however, a fence or safety barrier must be constructed at the top of the retaining wall, within the jurisdictional limits of §230-71B(12).

Of what materials may walls be constructed?

Retaining walls shall be constructed with the following materials only:

- Stone, brick, concrete or cinder block faced with stone, brick or similar masonry material.
- Concrete shadow and open block, concrete and cinder block coated with concrete or stucco material and painted concrete block.
- Railroad tie or similar timber material.