

Permit Fees

Sheds:

\$20.00 permit processing fee and \$10.00 per thousand for total cost of shed.

Fences:

No permit required, if 6' feet or less in height.

Greenhouses:

Fees for those which require a permit as described within are based on the cost of construction with a \$20.00 permit processing fee.

Helpful Hints:

Be sure to locate your septic lines and other underground utilities prior to installation.

For assistance call DIG SAFE at
1-888-344-7233

All permit applications are available on-line at
www.hanson-ma.gov
follow the link to on-line permitting.



Helpful Contacts

Conservation Commission

(781) 294-4119

Health Department

(781) 293-3138

Zoning Board of Appeals

(781) 293-5165

For additional questions regarding the information contained within, please contact the Building Department.

542 Liberty St
Hanson, MA 02341

Phone: (781) 293-5503
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**Hanson Building
Department**

**What you need to
know about:**

**Fences, Sheds
& Greenhouses**

Town of Hanson

Hanson Building Department
542 Liberty Street
Hanson, MA 02341

Tel: 781-293-5503

Sheds

Zoning Requirements:

All sheds shall be located in the side or rear of the property. Sheds under 200 square feet do not require a building permit but must conform to the required setbacks of an accessory building, (10' feet) for side and rear property lines. Regardless of the size of the shed, all sheds are considered an accessory structure and must conform to the lot coverage requirements.

Height Regulations:

The maximum height of all sheds, regardless of square foot size is 18' feet, measured from the natural grade or ground level, prior to construction. The interior of the shed cannot exceed 1½ stories. The loft area of the shed may not exceed half of the space of the main shed floor.

Permit Requirements:

If a new shed exceeds 200 square feet a permit is required. All permits are applied for on-line by visiting: www.hanson-ma.gov and clicking onto the on-line permitting software link. Permit applications shall include a plot plan showing the location of the shed, the lot lines and the septic lines.

It should be noted that although a shed may not be large enough to require a building permit, all homeowners should check with all inspectional service departments about zoning regulations, regarding additional requirements.

Fences

Zoning Issues:

According to the Town of Hanson By-Laws, fences are allowed to be located on the property line, however, it is highly recommended that enough space is left between the fence and the property line for maintenance without the need to trespass on abutting property.

There are no zoning restrictions on which side of the fence should face any property abutters, nor are there any regulations regarding the style of fence a property owner may install. Fences shall not obstruct pedestrian or vehicular visibility on a public way. Fences shall be lowered to prevent blocking the line of sight at the end of a driveway or public way.



Greenhouses

Permitting Requirements:

A permit is not required for a greenhouse constructed of metal hoop frames covered in plastic, which are considered temporary in nature. Such temporary structures are not required to meet setback guidelines. Greenhouses constructed of a combination of metal or wood and glass are considered accessory structures and shall meet the same requirements as a shed.



All permits are processed through our on line permitting software.

Access to our software is through the town hall web address of:

www.hanson-ma.gov

Please contact the Building Department office with any questions 781 293-5503