



NOTICE TO INDUSTRY

Temporary Fencing Requirements

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Effective immediately, all contractors, builders, and permit holders are reminded of the requirement to install and maintain temporary fencing at all active construction sites, both residential and commercial, in accordance with the following:

- **Florida Building Code, Chapter 33 (Safeguards During Construction):** Requires protective measures during construction to safeguard the public, including the installation of barriers around open excavations and hazardous areas.
- **City of Cape Coral Land Development Code, Article 5, Chapter 3:** Requires the use of temporary fencing to ensure safety, security, and compliance with city development standards.

Minimum Fence Height Requirements:

- Residential construction sites: Temporary fencing must be a minimum of 4 feet high.
- Commercial construction sites: Temporary fencing must be a minimum of 6 feet high.

Temporary fencing must enclose and protect all open excavations, holes, and similar hazards, including but not limited to:

- Swimming pools
- Septic system excavations
- Utility trenches
- Any other site condition creating a hazard to the public

Temporary fencing must be maintained in good condition for the duration of construction and permanent barriers are installed or the hazard is removed.

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in enforcement actions, which may include failed inspections, stop-work orders, or other penalties as authorized by code.

The City of Cape Coral appreciates your cooperation in maintaining safe and code-compliant construction practices.