

Northbrook Municipal Code Standards for Dog and Other Pet Runs

Sec. 5-20. - Pet runs.

- (a) Any owner or harborer of a domestic animal may provide for an enclosed pet run on his or her property. The owner or harborer of a domestic animal wanting to construct a pet run shall submit plans for the pet run to the department of development and planning services for its review and approval. All plans for pet runs submitted for the review and approval by the department of development and planning services shall be designed to meet the following minimum construction requirements:
- (1) A pet run shall be enclosed with an opaque fence or other approved enclosure with a minimum height of five (5) feet.**
 - (2) A pet run may be surfaced with either grass or concrete, or other impervious material, or some combination of each, and shall be constructed so as to ensure for proper filtering and drainage.
 - (3) A pet run surface must pitch to the perimeter of the pet run and provide for a filtration bed that consists of eight (8) inches of crushed limestone and sand covered with a four (4) inch layer of gravel. This area must be properly secured to prevent erosion of the gravel, limestone, and sand filtration bed.
 - (4) A pet run may not be constructed or surfaced with any absorbent material that may cause nuisance odors or the inability to maintain the area in a sanitary condition.
 - (5) A pet run shall comply with all other applicable village ordinances, including all applicable bulk regulations for the zoning district within which the property is located.
- (b) A pet run must be constructed and installed entirely upon an owner's or harborer's property and no portion of a pet run may be located within five (5) feet of any neighboring property line. In no instance may any portion of a pet run be located in any front or corner side yard.**
- (c) Any pet run located on any portion of a property must be cleaned at least daily, or more often as necessary to prevent odors or other nuisances.