

RESIDENTIAL FENCE INSTALLATION

The requirements for the installation of a residential fence are the same in every Zoning district throughout the City. Permits are not required for the installation of a fence. Residential fences and walls may be erected, altered, and maintained in any Zoning district within the setbacks, provided that:

1. Any wall or fence forward of the front yard setback shall not exceed four feet (4') in height.
2. Any fence in the rear yard or side yard shall be permitted a maximum height of seven feet (7'). Such fences may extend upward to a maximum height of ten feet (10') if the fence is at least 50% open.
3. Fences and walls may be erected, altered, and maintained in front yards provided that the fence shall not exceed four feet (4') in height, and per Section 800-39, Obstruction to Vision, "shall not be erected or altered and which may cause danger to traffic on a street or road by obstructing the view or which may cause a hindrance or danger to pedestrian traffic."
4. Barbed wire, razor wire and above ground electric fences shall not be permitted.
5. If the proposed fence is located within the 100-year floodplain, please contact the City Floodplain Administrator. Rob Crossman (814) 949-2483.

Should the fence installation not meet the above requirements, a Special Exception to the Zoning Hearing Board may be required. Please contact this department with questions. 814-949-2456.