

# FENCING INFORMATION SHEET Department of Building Safety

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## INFORMATION SHEET

### **Permits**

Permits are required for the construction, addition, or alteration of any fence. Building permit required for fences over 6 feet. Zoning permit required for fences 6 feet or under.

#### **Construction & Maintenance**

- Fences shall be constructed in a workmanship like manner.
- Fences shall be maintained in a condition of reasonable repair.
- Fences shall have no barbed ends on the top except in industrial areas.
- The face or finished side of the fence must face abutting property.
- Electrical and barbed fences are prohibited except in functioning agricultural uses.
- Fences restricting access from a front yard to a back yard shall have a minimum 3-foot wide gate.

# **Heights**

Fences in residential districts shall be a maximum of 6-feet high. Fences in front yards shall be a maximum of 4-feet high.

### **Setbacks**

Fences that are 25% or more open (opacity) may be constructed anywhere inside the boundary of the subject property. Fences that are less than 25% open (opacity) are required to meet setbacks as required for accessory structures.

## **Corner Lots**

No fence or planting 30-inches or more in heights is permitted within the triangular vision area forty feet from an intersection.

# **Rear/Side Lot Lines**

Fences along a rear lot line, that is also a side lot line of an abutting property, shall be a maximum height of 4 feet in the front setback area of the abutting property.

## **Tennis Courts**

Chain link fences enclosing tennis courts may be a maximum of 10-feet high. A design must be submitted for the construction details of any fence more than 6-feet high.