



## General Fence Information

- Before constructing a fence in a drainage easement, please contact the City Engineering Department at 913.742.6012.
- Please call Planning Department at 913.742.6011 for approval of all fences other than those on single family or duplex lots.
- No permit is required for any fence six feet (6') or less in height, on or inside your property line. Fences higher than six feet require a permit.
- Check your Homes Association and deed restriction before constructing any fence; they may have additional regulations regarding building materials, height and location. Any regulation that exceeds City requirements will be enforced through the Homes Association or deed restrictions. Refer to the diagram for general information.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Shawnee Municipal Codes - 17.60.030 Fences and Walls

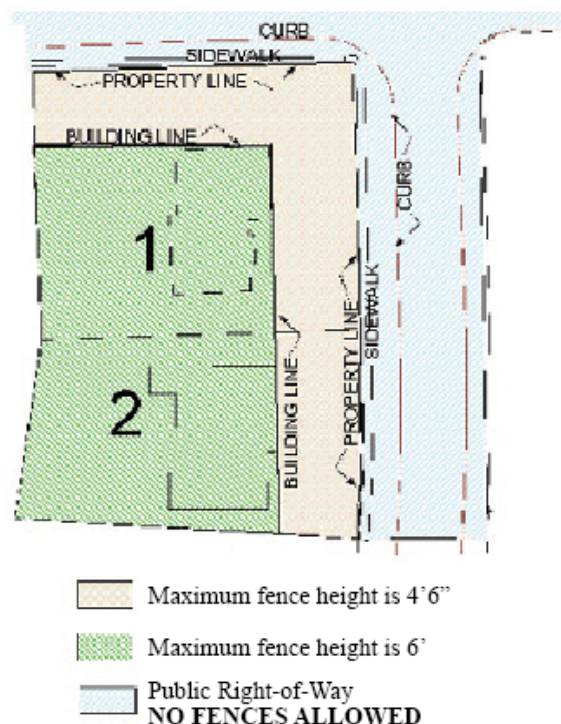
- A. Except as provided in Section 17.60.020 of this code, no solid fence, hedge or freestanding wall no more than four and one-half feet in height, may be constructed in front of the front line of the residence, as constructed; behind this line a fence may be six feet in height. On interior lots which have double frontage, a six-foot-high fence may be constructed in the area between a platted building setback line and the property line in the rear yard.
- B. On corner lots, a solid fence, hedge or freestanding wall may be placed in the side yard a height of six feet to the platted setback line; between the platted setback line and the property line, the fence may not exceed four and one-half feet in height. The board of zoning appeals may grant a variance to the regulation and allow a fence up to six feet in height within a platted side yard setback line and the property line, provided the following conditions are met in addition to other items considered when reviewing a variance request:
  1. The fence will not create a site problem for traffic; and
  2. The side yard is not adjacent to the front yard of an adjoining lot.
- C. On corner lots with three frontages, a six-foot fence may be placed between the platted setback line and the property line on that frontage which constitutes the rear yard of the adjacent lot, provided the adjoining yard is not a front yard. Properties, which are not platted, shall measure setbacks from the standards prescribed for rear, and side yards in the applicable zoning district.
- D. For the purposes of this section a solid fence is described as fencing which does not meet the standards of a transparent fence as identified in Section 17.60.020.
- E. All fences and walls shall be constructed with a finished side facing outward from the property. The posts and support beams shall be on the inside or shall be designed as an integral part of the finished surface.
- F. No barbed wire fences shall be allowed in the residential zoning districts, unless the owner of property has a valid livestock permit, or the planning commission has approved a site plan which includes barbed wire fencing for security purposes.

## MATERIALS

All fences, regardless of whether or not a permit is required for their construction, that are constructed, repaired, expanded, or enlarged, shall be constructed only of approved fence materials. Approved fence materials shall mean materials normally manufactured for, used as, and recognized as fencing materials such as: wrought iron or other decorative metals suitable for the construction of fences, masonry, concrete, stone, chain link, metal tubing, wood planks, and vinyl or fiberglass composite manufactured specifically as fencing materials that are approved by the Building Official. Approved fence materials shall be approved for exterior use and shall be weather and decay-resistant. The Building Official is authorized to evaluate proposed fence materials, and to determine if the proposed materials, and to determine if the proposed material is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in this chapter in quality, strength, effectiveness, durability and safety.

## TEMPORARY FENCING

The Building Official is authorized to approve temporary fencing, such as plastic silt fence and safety fencing, for active construction projects. Temporary fencing shall not remain in place longer than is necessary to perform its function.



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