

FENCES, WALLS & HEDGES

When deciding on a fence, wall or hedge for your yard, there are a few factors to take into consideration before purchasing materials or starting a fence installation.

DO I NEED A PERMIT FOR MY FENCE?

While the City does not have a fence permit, you are subject to setback regulations and must meet the height and material requirements specific to your fence and location. Failure to comply with fence guidelines may lead to follow-up from code enforcement.

WHERE CAN I PUT MY FENCE?

All fences and garden walls must be located on or within the boundary lines of the property owned by the person or persons who construct and maintain them.

Fences located **adjacent to a sidewalk or trail** must be set back a minimum of three feet (3') from the back of sidewalk or on the property line, whichever is greater.

HOW TALL CAN MY FENCE BE?

Fences located in the **front setback** (front yard) have a maximum height, **dependent on fence materials** (three feet (3') solid or four feet (4') limited solid).

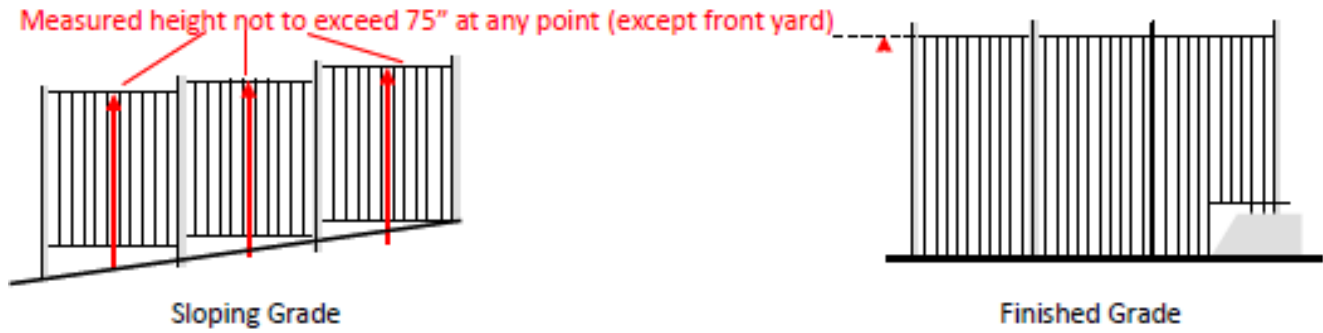
Fences located outside of the front setback, either **flush or behind the front façade** of your house, shall have a maximum height of six feet three inches (6' 3").

In **side or rear yards**, the maximum height of fences, walls, and hedges shall be six feet three inches (6' 3").



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The height of a fence, hedge, or wall is measured from the top of the fence to the point on the ground located perpendicular to and within five feet on either side of the fence. When a fence is located on sloping ground constructed perpendicular to the slope and not parallel to the slope the height shall be measured at the mid-point of each fence section. The maximum height of a fence or wall does not include the support posts or ornamental features. Support posts and/or ornamental features can extend one foot above the top of a fence or wall.



Whenever a **property adjoins an intersection** or is on a **corner lot**, no plants, foliage, wall, fence, or sign can be higher than thirty inches above the flowline of the adjacent street. If you live on a lot within these circumstances and are planning to erect a fence, call the **Traffic Engineering Division** at 970-962-2644 for assistance.

WHAT FENCING MATERIALS ARE ALLOWED?

Fences or walls shall be constructed of materials customarily commercially sold for fencing and walls, including decorative masonry, stone, brick, ornamental metal, vinyl, wood, wood composite, or other comparable materials. Chain-link or other woven-wire fences are prohibited in the front yard of a lot or parcel,* Barbed wire, electrically charged and sharp- pointed fences are not allowed on any residential property.



LIMITED SOLID MATERIAL FENCES OR WALLS

Have a ratio of solid material to open space of **not more** than one to four



SOLID MATERIAL FENCES OR WALLS

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WHAT IF I LIVE IN AN HOA?

The type of material, height and location of your fence may be subject to further restrictions. Check with your HOA before starting your fence build.

This flyer is not intended to cover all of the City of Loveland's code regarding fences, walls and hedges. If you have additional questions please contact Current Planning Office.