



# FENCE GUIDE

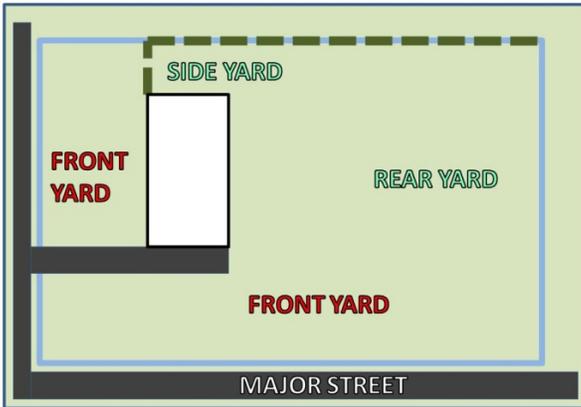
## ZONING REQUIREMENTS (Section 405.150)

A [fence permit](#) is required for the installation of a fence. When installing a fence it's important to know the following:

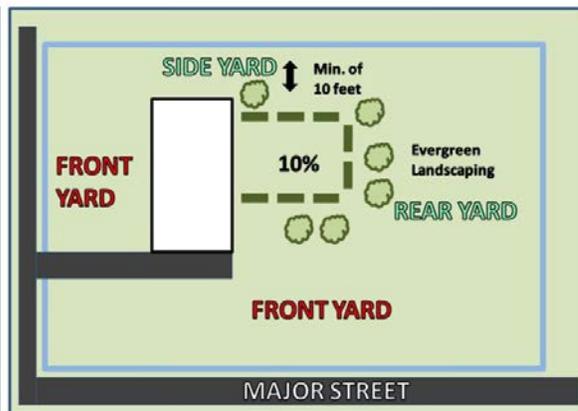
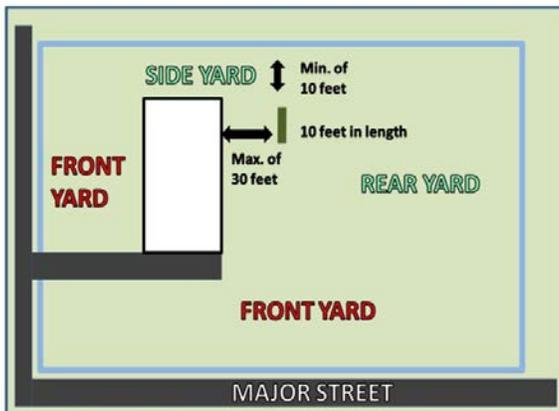
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## 1. RESIDENTIAL FENCE LOCATIONS

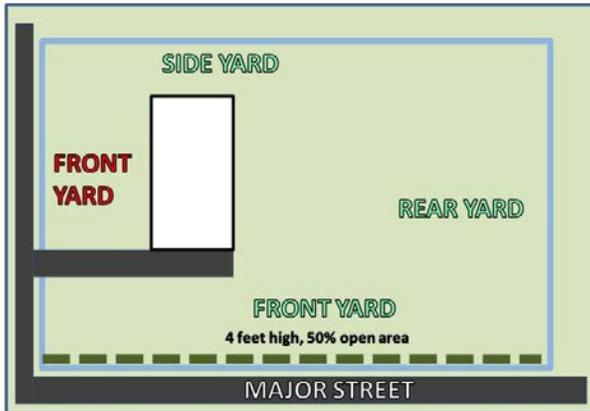
### A: <30% OPEN FENCE-SIDE AND REAR YARD



### B: SOLID FENCE/>30% OPEN FENCE: 10 FOOT SECTION or 10% ENCLOSURE



## **C: 50% OPEN FENCE - FRONT YARD ALONG MAJOR STREETS**



## **2. MATERIALS**

### **Permitted**

1. Treated wood
2. Simulated wood, including vinyl covered and synthetic wood composite or equivalent.
3. Masonry, excluding unfinished concrete masonry units
4. Metal, including steel, aluminum, wrought iron, or metal composite.

### **Prohibited**

1. Insubstantial Fences (flimsy, unstable, non-weather proof)
2. Barbed wire fences and/or fences having sharp and unsafe features.
3. Fences constructed with metal panels.
4. Chain link fences (Residential Districts); exception for certain non-residential uses
5. Fences exceeding a height of six (6) feet
6. Fences erected in a required front yard except along Major Streets
7. Temporary fences are prohibited except where required by code for construction, excavation or life safety issues
8. Solid fences constructed with simulated wood or vinyl fences in the color white or other light-toned color.

## **3. MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY**

1. A fence shall not lean more than 15 degrees out of vertical alignment.
2. Any broken, damaged, removed or missing parts of a fence shall be replaced with the same material, or material with comparable composition, color, size, shape and quality of the original fence to which the repair is being made. No permit is required for repairs.
3. A fence shall be maintained in sound structural condition as a whole or be completely removed, including post(s).
4. Fences shall be maintained at all times in a state of good repair, safe and secure condition, with all braces, bolts, nails, supporting frame, fastenings and other components free from deterioration, termite infestation, rot, rust damage or loosening, and able to withstand at all times the wind pressure for which they were designed.
5. Fences that are painted or stained shall be regularly painted or stained to prevent rusting, peeling or blistering surfaces. The painted or stained fence shall be of comparable color in its entirety.

6. If it is determined by the City Administrator or their designee that the extent of repair on any existing fence (with materials or location in noncompliance) is in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the total fence, then the entire fence must be replaced with materials approved by this chapter and/or installed in a legal location. A rolling six-month time period shall be used to determine if over fifty percent (50%) of a fence has been repaired.

**\*\*If the fence cannot comply with the zoning regulations than it either has to be redesigned or a [ZONING VARIANCE](#) must be approved. Zoning variances are approved by the Board of Adjustment and a property hardship must be shown for an affirmative vote. Please call (314) 587-2827 for further information.**

## **EXAMPLES**

### **50% OPEN**



### **SOLID**



### **LESS THAN 30%**



### **WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

