



Residential Fence Requirements

[Per the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Section 13.050](#)

Guidelines for the installation of fences in a residential zoning district in the City of Wixom:

1. Unless specifically authorized elsewhere in this title, fences and walls located within the side yard or rear yard in any district shall not exceed a height of six (6) feet.
2. Fences and walls shall not be erected within any public right-of-way.
3. Fences or walls shall not be erected or maintained in such a way as to obstruct the vision of motorists exiting driveways.
4. Fences may be located along a property line.
5. Fences that enclose historically designated property shall not exceed four feet in height and must be of material and construction consistent with the historical character of the property.
6. All exposed horizontal and vertical structural members of a fence shall be located on the inside of the property they are intended to fence.
7. Electronic fences buried beneath the ground for the control of pets are permitted in all districts.
8. Fences on lots of record shall not contain barbed wire, electric current or charge of electricity unless otherwise provided in this section.
9. Fences shall be constructed of quality, durable material such as wood, vinyl, aluminum, wrought iron, or chain link.

Front Yard Fences in Residential Districts

1. Unless specifically authorized elsewhere in this title, fences or walls located within the front yard or exterior side yard shall:
 - Not exceed three and one-half feet in height;
 - Be in excess of forty-nine percent solid or impervious; and
 - Be of a decorative nature as determined by the building official.
2. Parcels having a lot area in excess of two acres and a frontage of at least two hundred feet are excluded from the regulations of subsection B of this section.

A [Zoning Permit Application](#) must be attained from the Construction & Development Services Department prior to construction of the fence.

Approval from Homeowners Associations may be required, a plot plan showing property lines and measurements from dwellings or accessory structures and a plan review fee of \$71.00. Once the permit is approved the permit fee will be determined and ready for issuance. This process takes no more than ten days.

Zoning Permit Application Fee (Fence):

Administration Fee	\$39.00
Permit Fee	Based on construction value
Inspection Fee	\$54.00
Zoning Plan Review Fee	\$27.00
Electronic archiving Fee	1%/\$5.00

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