

FENCING REGULATIONS

(Definition of a Fence)

302.35 Fence: A barrier intended to make a boundary, screen a view or prevent intrusion. All fences shall be able to withstand normal wear, function as a barrier and keep an attractive appearance and shall be built in a sound workmanlike manner, with adequate footings. Fencing materials shall include wire mesh, steel mesh, chain link, louvered stake and similar materials, wood, wrought iron, stone or masonry. Vinyl or fiberglass composite materials may be utilized if designed and constructed for fencing material.

Section 406. Fences, Wall and Hedges

Notwithstanding other provisions of this Zoning Ordinance, fences, walls and hedges may be permitted in any required yard or along any yard, subject to the following restrictions:

406.1 Said fence in the rear and side yard may be of solid construction or may be open to light and air, including steel mesh, chain link, louvered, stake or similar materials.

406.2. Fences may be constructed on corner lots; however, no such fence, whether solid or otherwise, constructed in such a manner that the view of the drivers on the adjacent thoroughfare or thoroughfares shall be obstructed (see Section 715).

406.3 No fence shall exceed six (6) feet in height measured from the finished grade of the lot or property upon which the fence is being erected except as otherwise provided in this article.

406.4 A six (6) foot opaque/privacy fence may stop, or commence to slope down to a height of three (3) feet, either at a point even with the front plane of the main structure or the forward most building or at a point twenty-five (25) feet from the front property line, whichever is the shorter distance.

406.5 Fence materials permitted are wood, wrought iron, stone and masonry. Vinyl or fiberglass composite material may be utilized if the material is designed and constructed for fencing material. No fence shall be constructed of or contain canvas, cloth, or other impermanent material, corrugated metal, metal plates, plastic or plexi-glass.

406.6 In R-1 and R-2 Districts, barbed wire fences are prohibited.

406.7 In no case shall a fence be erected so as to divert or impede the natural flow of storm drainage or block a storm water catch basin, culvert, outlet pipe, or other storm water structure.

406.8 The finished, good, or attractive side of the fence shall face the adjoining property or street if the appearance of the fence structure is not the same on both sides. For fences other than chain link, the fence shall be so constructed that the horizontal and vertical support posts are hidden from public view.