# Richland BUILDING & ZONING

# **General Fence Guidelines**

#### **General Information**

- Permit Required
  - o Fee: \$35
  - Diggers Hotline must be contacted at least three days prior to the commencement of work.
  - o No work may commence before the issuance of a zoning permit.

### **Fence Height and Location Regulations**

Fences are subject to height restrictions based on yard type, proximity to public street right-of-way, and zoning district. A **conditional use permit** may be required for certain configurations.

#### 1. Front Yard

 Height: Fences over 30 inches require a conditional use permit.

#### 2. Side Yard (Non-Corner Lots)

- More than 20 feet from public street right-of-way:
  - o Maximum height: 6 feet.
- Within 20 feet of public street right-of-way:
  - Maximum height: 30 inches.

#### 3. Side Yard (Corner Lots)

- More than 20 feet from public street right-of-way:
  - Maximum height: 6 feet.
- Within 20 feet of public street right-of-way:
  - Maximum height: 30 inches (excluding vision triangle area).
  - Heights greater than 30 inches up to 48 inches may be permitted with a conditional use permit (excluding vision triangle area).

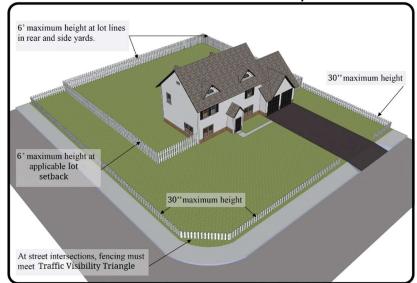
#### 4. Rear Yard (Non-Corner Lots)

Maximum height: 6 feet.

## 5. Rear Yard (Corner Lots)

- More than 20 feet from public street right-of-way:
  - Maximum height: 6 feet.

# Illustration of Fence Location Requirements

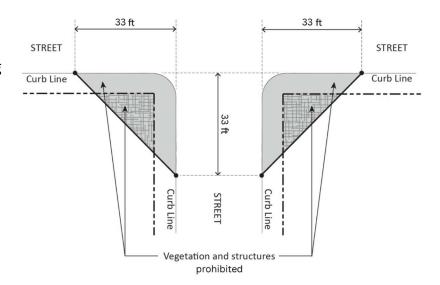


## Within 20 feet of public street right-of-way:

Maximum height: 30 inches.

# **Traffic Visibility Triangle**

- **Definition**: A triangle formed by:
  - Measuring 33 feet along the curb lines of two intersecting streets from their point of intersection.
  - Connecting the two points with a base line.
  - If no curb exists, use the edges of the paved street roadway closest to the abutting property's lot line.
- Restriction: No fences are allowed within the traffic visibility triangle.



# 6. Industrial Zoning District (IND)

- More than 20 feet from public street right-of-way:
  - Maximum height: 8 feet.

#### **Barbed Wire Regulations**

#### Allowed Uses:

- o Barbed wire is prohibited in the City unless the fence borders a legally operating farm for agricultural purposes. If the farm ceases operation, the barbed wire must be removed.
- o In "C-G" General Business, "IND" General Industry, or "IP" Industrial Park Districts, barbed wire is allowed on top of a chain link or solid fence if:
- The fence is a permitted use in the zoning district and a conditional use permit for barbed wire is granted, or
- A conditional use permit allows both the fence and barbed wire on top.
- Barbed wire must not be less than 6 feet above ground level.