

City of Grafton

FENCE REGULATIONS

Section 12. R-2 One-Family and Two-Family Districts.

- (5) Walls, fences, hedge rows. A wall, fence or hedge located within the property limits is permitted provided that:
- a. Such wall or fence, when located behind the front setback line, does not exceed six feet, three inches (6' 3") in finished height, above grade level of the land on both sides when adjacent to the side or rear lot line;
 - b. Such wall, fence or hedge, when located in the area forward of the front setback line does not exceed three feet, four inches (3' 4") in finished height, above grade level of the land on both sides when adjacent to a side or front lot line, except that a see through chain link fence of no more than four feet in height is permitted;
 - c. Such wall, fence or hedge is located no closer than three (3) feet to a rear lot line when said line is located adjacent to an alley;
 - d. Such wall, fence or hedge is located no closer than one (1) foot to a front lot line or public sidewalk;
 - e. Such wall, fence or hedge does not exceed three feet, four inches (3' 4") in finished height, above grade in locations where it has been determined that significant blockage of visibility may present a risk to motor vehicle and/or pedestrian traffic;
 - f. Such wall, fence or hedge is located no closer than six (6) feet to an existing or potential existing main building on an adjoining lot;
 - g. It complies with Section 18;
 - h. Where such fence shall enclose an area containing an electric, water or gas meter, a gate, with a bottom clearance of not less than three (3) inches, and latching hardware accessible from both sides, shall be provided for access by the utility providers;
 - i. Schools and playgrounds may erect chain link fences of more than four (4) feet in height and utilize security screening provided that the requirements of Section 18 are met;
 - j. Such wall or fence may be built on a surveyed, side property line or not less than one (1) foot off an assumed property line;
 - k. Fences shall have vertical supports at a spacing of not less than ten (10) feet on center;
 - l. The erection and use of vinyl snow fences shall be permitted only between the 3rd week of October and the 3rd week of April of the following year except where its use shall be the temporary protection of a construction site or other hazardous area;
 - m. Fences, other than those to protect gardens and flower beds, must be constructed of a ridged weather resistant material consisting of wood, metal, vinyl, or heavy wire mesh or any combination thereof;
 - n. Fences shall be maintained so that the posts are reasonably solid in the ground and free of significant damage, panels or slats are reasonably rot free and/or otherwise undamaged, and securely fastened. Chain link or wire fences shall be maintained in a tight condition reasonably free of sag and loose or broken wires.