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## RESIDENTIAL FENCE REQUIREMENTS

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It is recommended that every person, before fencing or planting a hedge on his or her own property, gains with certainty and at his or her expense, their property line locations from a legally qualified Provincial Land Surveyor.

### Interior Lots

When constructing a fence on your property, which is considered an interior lot, you must follow these requirements:

- A fence located in a front yard, which is within 20ft (6m) of your front property line, shall have a **maximum height of 3ft (0.91m)**
- A fence located within a rear yard or interior side yard shall have a **maximum height of 7ft (2.13m)**
- A fence cannot block access to a parking space, unless the fence is constructed with a **minimum 8.5ft (2.59m) wide** gate allowing access to the parking space.

### Corner Lots

When constructing a fence on your property, which is considered a corner lot, you must follow these requirements:

- A fence located in a front yard, which is within 20ft (6m) of your front property line, shall have a **maximum height of 3ft (0.91m)**
- A fence located within the interior side yard shall have a **maximum height of 7ft (2.13m)**
- A fence located within the exterior side yard shall have a maximum height as follows:
  - **Max. height of 6ft (1.82m)** if the fence is located **less than 15ft (4.57m)** from the exterior lot line
  - **Max. height of 7ft (2.13m)** if the fence is located at **least 15ft (4.57m)** from the exterior lot line
- A fence located within a driveway visibility triangle can have a **maximum height of 3ft (0.91m)** – see attached drawings on fencing

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- A fence located within a corner visibility triangle can have a maximum height of **2ft (0.61m)** – see attached drawings on fencing
- A fence cannot block access to a parking space, unless the fence is constructed with a **minimum 8.5ft (2.59m) wide** gate allowing access to the parking space.

### **Abutting Commercial, Industrial or Institutional Lots**

Any fence constructed within your rear yard or your interior side yard, shall have a **maximum height of 8ft (2.5m)**, when these yards abut a commercial, industrial or institutional property.