

## ELECTRIC FENCE

Electric fences require a building permit. Call Building Inspections at 970-350-9830 for more information.

## MATERIALS

All fencing shall be constructed of brick, stone, wood, vinyl, wrought iron, decorative concrete block, chain-link or other material customarily intended to be used for fencing.

Chain link fencing is not permitted in the required front setbacks for residential or commercial uses.

Non-decorative supporting posts shall be placed on the interior side of the fence so the supporting posts are not visible from a public right-of-way.

## HEIGHT

Fences that are located in the required front yard (the area between the front of the house and the front property line) cannot exceed forty-two inches (42") in height, unless the fencing is constructed of decorative wrought iron or decorative aluminum and is at least seventy-five (75%) percent visually open. Solid fences, walls and hedges located within the clear vision zone of corner lots cannot be taller than thirty-six (36) inches.

Six feet (6') is the maximum height for a fence,

unless otherwise approved (exceptions may be made for industrial sites – contact the Planning Division for more information).

## MAINTENANCE

All fencing and walls must be maintained in good condition including, but not limited to, replacing or repairing broken components, such as pickets, and repainting – and hedges must be trimmed for visibility.

## REVOCABLE PERMIT

Fences, walls or hedges cannot be located in or extend partly into any public right-of-way or easement without first obtaining a revocable permit from the Department of Public Works.

## 18.44.140 (d) (2)

In all zoning districts, fences taller than forty-two (42) inches in heights shall be set back at least ten (10) feet from an adjacent sidewalk or, if no sidewalk exists, at least fifteen (15) feet from the back of curb or edge of pavement if no curb exists.



# FENCES

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## Community Development Department

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# Fences

## CLEAR VISION ZONE

A clear-vision zone is an area that preserves the sight distance and safety of motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists by creating an unobstructed line of sight necessary for most drivers to avoid a collision.

A clear-vision zone is created by a triangle formed by combining the lines of sight for both left and right directions along intersecting streets, alleys and driveways.

Clear-vision zones must be free of shrubs, ground covers, berms, **fences** and other materials greater than thirty-six (36") inches in height. Fences that are at least seventy-five (75%) percent open (e.g. split rail, wrought iron) may be a maximum of forty-two (42") inches in height in clear vision zones.

*See diagram to right*

The most common clear vision zones:

**Intersection of two streets:** The clear-vision zone at the intersection of two streets depends on each street's functional classification. Please contact the Planning Division to deter-

mine the dimensions of this area.

**Intersection of a street and an alley:** The minimum clear-vision zone is a triangle measuring thirty (30') feet along each curb or edge of roadway from the point of intersection, the third side being a diagonal line connecting the first two (2) lines.

**Intersection of a driveway and a street:** The minimum clear-vision zone is a triangle measuring fifteen (15') feet along the edge of the driveway and along the curb or edge of roadway from the point of intersection, the third side being a diagonal line connecting the first two (2) lines.

*This is a general guide to fence standards for individual residential properties in the City of Greeley. Please consult this guide and Section 18.44.140 of the City of Greeley Development Code before planning and building your fence.*

*A building permit for fences on private property is not required (with the exception of electric fences) if the Development Code standards are followed.*

## Utility Locates

**Call before you dig!**

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