

## **FENCES**

Fences must be kept in good repair and adhere to the height standards outlined in the City code. Fences must also be constructed of approved materials.

Applications, site plans, permits and fees are applicable to any person or entity intending to construct a new fence or to replace twenty five percent (25%) of the total linear feet of any existing fence.

#### **REPORTING?**

To report unlawful or dangerous fences call Haysville Code Enforcement at 316-529-5940 or visit the City's website at:

HTTPS://WWW.HAYSVILLE KS.GOV/CODE-ENFORCEMENT

You can also "Report an Issue" on the City's website.

For questions regarding fence applications, site plans, permits and fees call Haysville Public Works at 316-529-5940.

# **PROHIBITED MATERIALS**

Metal Panels
No Electrical Charge
Barbed Wire

## 4-1103. Maximum height of fences.

No fence constructed, built, maintained, repaired, or replaced upon a lot shall exceed the maximum height established and prescribed by this section.

- (a) Fences outside sight triangles. No fence located upon a lot and outside the boundaries of the applicable sight triangle shall exceed:
- (1) Six (6) feet in height in residentially zoned districts;
- (2) Eight (8) feet in height in commercially zoned districts;
- (3) Ten (10) feet in height in industrially zoned districts; or
- (4) As permitted within a final PUD.
- (b) Fences encroaching sight triangles. No fence, any portion of which is located within the applicable sight triangle, shall exceed three (3) feet in height as measured from the highest curb located within the sight triangle to the finish height of said fence. The enforcing officer shall verify that any such fence complies with all provisions of this article. In areas without curbs, the enforcement officer may measure from the low edge of the road.
- (c) Fences extending into the front plane of a principal structure on a residential lot which extends beyond the front plane of the principal structure, shall decrease, within a linearly measured distance of no more than eight (8) feet, from a maximum height of six (6) feet to a height of three (3) feet as applied to fence described in section 4-1106(a)(1) of this article, or four (4) feet as applied to the fence described in section 4-1106(a)(2-5) of this article.
- (d) Fences extending into any abutting front yard setback on a residential lot may be allowed to be six (6) foot in height, to the property line, as long as there is no obstruction to any street intersection and/or sight triangle as described in this article. (Ord. 824; Code 2003, Code 2005; Code 2020)

## 4-1106. Fence materials; certain features and materials prohibited.

- (a) Permitted fencing material. Fences may be constructed of:
- (1) Wood fence boards such that all portions of the fence are completely solid or no more than fifty percent open;
- (2) Ornamental iron, except that any decorative tops are subject to the approval of the enforcing officer, and except that no fence constructed of ornamental iron may be less than five (5) feet in height;
- (3) Woven wire or chain link, provided there shall be no exposed points, wires or prongs on the top of the fence;
- (4) Nylon, plastic or PVC material, provided such materials are designed for use as fencing, and no open space in fence constructed of such materials exceeds three fourths (3/4) of an inch; or
- (5) Masonry materials or concrete poured or placed in such fashion as to meet fence design requirements. Stacks of masonry materials or unopened containers of concrete shall not be deemed to be in compliance with this article.
- (6) Barbed wire fences are permitted on an industrially zoned lot atop a fence at least eight feet in height and oriented toward the interior of the property, when necessary to preclude entry into a hazardous location or facility or to protect the exterior storage of materials or equipment from vandalism or theft provided that the property is not located adjacent to residentially zoned or residentially used property.
- (b) Prohibited features in materials. No fence or portion thereof shall be constructed of metal panels or carry any electrical charge. No fence or portion thereof located on any residential or commercially zoned lot shall contain any barbed wire or single barbs.
- (c) All fences and walls shall be constructed with a finished surface facing outward from the property (e.g. in the case of a wooden fence, a "finished surface" means a surface of the fence where the pickets or slats are fully exposed to view.) The posts and support beams shall be on the inside of the finished surface.
- (d) Fence design and construction in all areas developed pursuant to the standards set forth within a PUD or overlay zoning areas will be designed and constructed as provided within the provisions of the establishments of such PUD or overlay zone. (Ord. 824; Code 2003; Code 2020)

#### 4-1107. Dangerous fences prohibited.

No fence shall be constructed or maintained, or be designed, in such manner as to present a danger or hazard to any person, animal or abutting property owner's boundaries. (Ord. 824; Code 2003; Code 2020)

#### 4-1108. Applications, site plans and permits and fees therefor.

- (a) Applications and Permits. Any person or entity intending to construct a new fence or to replace twenty five percent (25%) of the total linear feet of any existing fence shall, before commencing said work, make application to the enforcing officer for a permit authorizing the work. Such applications shall be made on forms provided and approved by the enforcing officer and shall be accompanied by an application fee as set out in the approved schedule of fees, and no permit shall be issued until said fees are tendered and paid in full. Fees are pursuant to Chapter 17 of this code.
- (b) Plans Required. All applications for fence permits shall be accompanied by a detailed site plan, to be completed by the person or entity seeking the permit, upon which shall be accurately depicted the location of the principal structure, proposed fence, all utilities serving the principal structure or located upon the lot, all utility easements located upon the lot, all setbacks affecting said lot and all rights-of-way and property lines of said lot. Applications for fences exceeding six (6) feet in height shall further be accompanied by a stamped set of engineering plans that conclusively demonstrate that the proposed construction shall not pose a danger to persons, vehicular traffic, and the public at large and further that the proposed construction is architecturally and structurally sound and safe.
- (c) License Required. Any person or entity the services of which an applicant for a fence permit intends to procure to construct a fence shall hold any current valid trade, professional, business or contractor's license as may be required by other provisions of the city code of the city or other applicable law. Individuals may construct fences upon their own property without obtaining commercial, trade or business licenses, and may use non-commercial assistance if said individuals will not receive any type of compensation, whether monetary, in-kind, or in the form of goods or services, for said work.
- (d) Review and Issuance; Reasons For Denial. The enforcing officer shall receive and review all applications required by this section and shall ensure that all proposed fences comply with the provisions of this article and any other applicable laws. The enforcing officer shall complete said review no later than two (2) full business days following receipt of an application; the computation of said period shall not include the day the application is received. In the event the enforcing officer denies an application, officer shall state in writing and with particularity the reason for said denial. (Ord. 824; Code 2003; Code 2007; Code 2020)