



Fences, Walls, and Hedges

The Arden Hills Zoning Ordinance has general provision about fences, walls, and hedges:

Fences and solid walls in side or rear yards may not exceed six (6) feet in height in all residential districts.

Fences and solid walls may not exceed three (3) feet in height in the front yard of any City district.

Fences, walls and hedges on **corner lots** are subject to traffic visibility requirements, which states, on all lots, "nothing shall be placed in the clear vision area, and nothing shall be allowed to grow in such a manner as to materially impede vision now or in the future between a height of two and one-half (2-1/2) and ten (10) feet in the clear vision area." The clear vision area is defined as "an area within a triangle that is measured along the edge of the driving surface of the road at the intersection of two roads (public or private) and extending thirty (30) feet in each direction from the intersection with a line connecting the two end points."

No above grade fence shall have barbs or spikes or be of metal construction, which is charged or connected with electrical current within any district of the City. These fencing types shall only be permitted through a Conditional Use Permit.

Fences may be placed up to the lot line provided no damage results to the abutting property.

That side of the fence considered to be the front (facing as applied to fence posts) shall face toward adjoining properties.

No fence, wall or hedge may be placed in a public right-of-way.

A **Zoning Permit** is required for fences.

A **Building Permit** is required for all walls greater than four (4) feet.

This handout is written as a guide to common questions and problems. It is not intended, nor shall it be considered, a complete set of requirements.

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