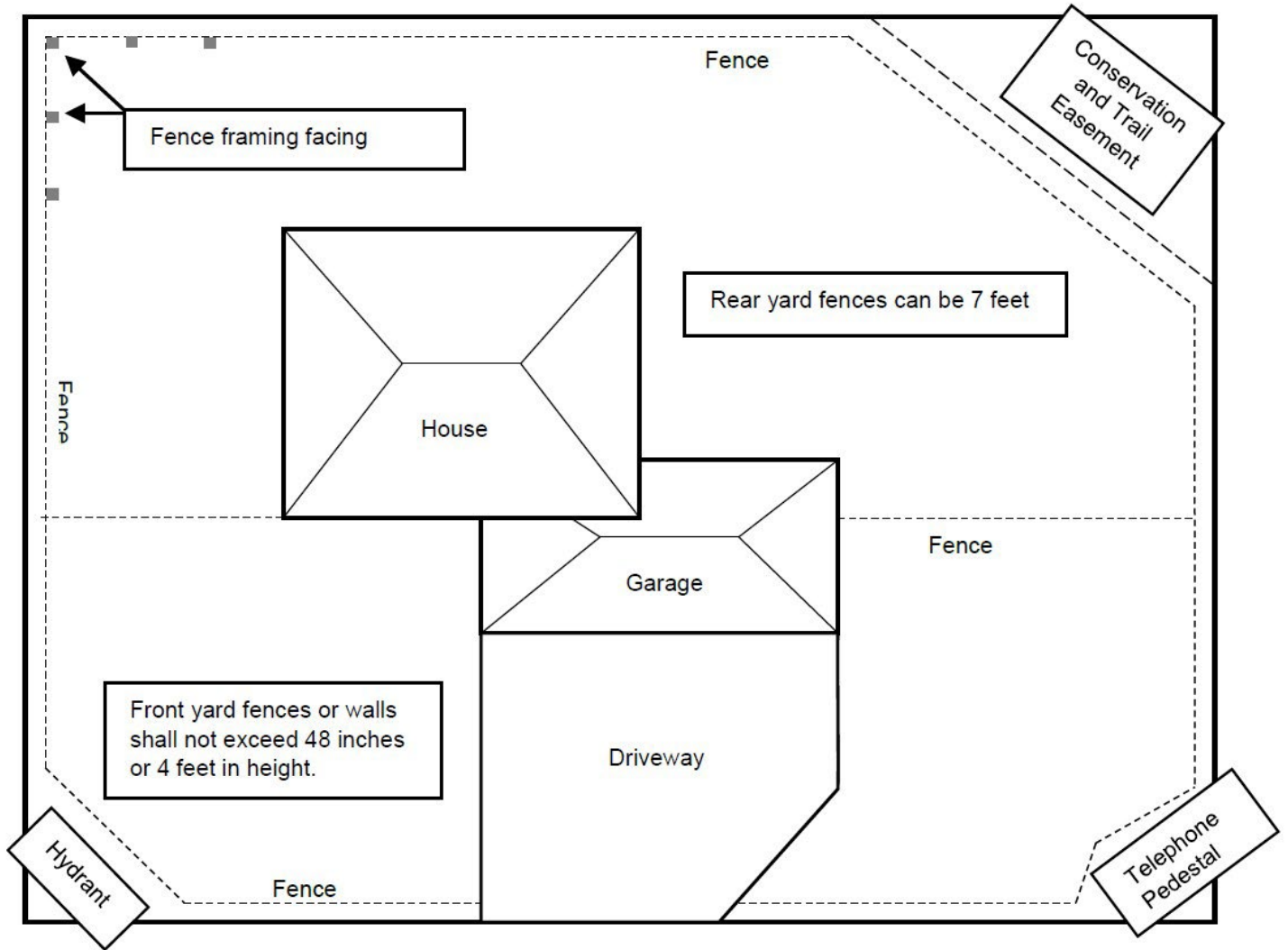


Residential Fences

This handout is a compilation of some of the standard requirements of the 2020 Minnesota Residential Code and City Zoning Code for projects of this type. It does not contain all of the specific code requirements for construction and should only be used as a guide. The permit holder is responsible to meet all code requirements applicable to each project.

General Information

1. Any fence **exceeding 7 feet in height** shall require a **building permit application** and **plans prepared by a Minnesota licensed design professional**.
2. Fencing or walls located in the side or rear yard shall not exceed 8 feet in height. No fence or wall (except retaining walls) located in the front yard of the property shall be over forty-eight inches (48") in height. If you plan to build a fence taller than what is allowed, please contact Planning Division to discuss the variance process.
3. Permits are not required to construct, repair, or replace a fence **7 feet or less** in height. However, all fences must be built to comply with zoning and building code requirements.
4. Fences shall be located entirely on the owner's property, and it is the fence owner's responsibility to accurately locate property boundaries.
5. Fences shall be located in a manner that does not interfere with traffic visibility, fire hydrants, telephone pedestals, or electrical box access. No fence shall be located within the vision clearance triangle, per Section 106-322 of the City Code.
6. Fences cannot be placed in conservation or trail easements.
7. Fences can be placed in a drainage and utility easement. Fences cannot be placed in a private utility easement without the permission of the easement owner. Any fence allowed in these easements must not disrupt drainage flow.
8. Fences shall be constructed in a manner and of substantial material suited for its intended purpose. Fencing material shall comply with the following requirements:
 - a. The material shall consist only of wood, chain link, wrought iron, low-maintenance vinyl, aluminum, or steel. Any other material must be approved by the zoning administrator prior to installation.
 - b. No boards, planks, or panels shall be larger than 12 inches in width.
 - c. Fences cannot be constructed with pallets, chopped wood, plywood, razor wire, snow fencing, or other materials originally intended for other purposes.
 - d. Chain link fences shall be constructed such that no barbed ends are at the top.
 - e. Chain link fencing must be black or brown vinyl coated for multi-family, townhome, or non-residential uses.
 - f. Fence framing must face inward on the fence owner's lot, with the finished side of the fence facing outward.
9. Fences for pools must meet additional standards. Refer to the Pools and Spas handout for more information.
10. Fence construction cannot cause damage to septic system components.
11. For agricultural uses, please contact the Planning Division at 763-433-9824.



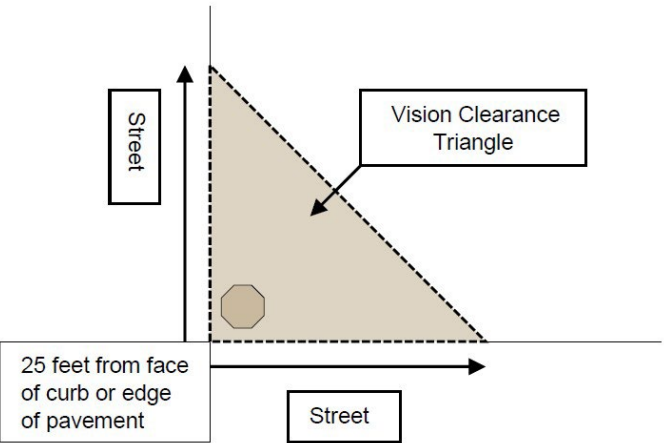
Building Permit Application

1. A building permit is required to construct, repair, or replace a fence **exceeding 7 feet in height**.
2. All required fence permits are processed online at permits.logis.org/home.aspx?city=ra.
3. The permit application must be completed and shall include the following information:
 - a. A detailed site map or lot survey depicting the location of the property boundaries, the proposed fence, any existing structures, and all information about the site, for example, septic system information, wells, easements, etc. (See attached site plan examples.)
 - b. A plan for the construction of the fence, signed and stamped by a Minnesota licensed design professional.
4. For assistance in applying for a building permit, please contact the Building Division at 763-433-9850 or permits@cityoframsey.com.

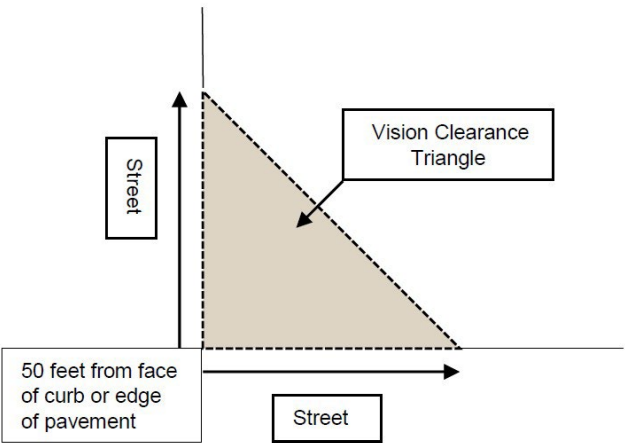
Corner Lots

1. For corner lots, a vision clearance triangle is required for adequate site distance. Refer to Section 106-322 of the City Code for more information.

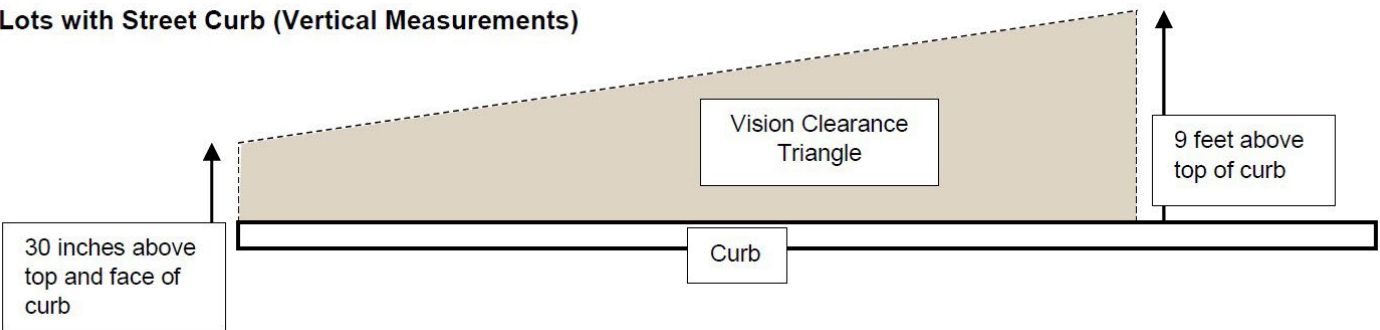
Lots with Stop Sign on Corner, Alleys, and Commercial Driveways



Corner Lots without Stop Sign



Lots with Street Curb (Vertical Measurements)



Lots without Street Curb (Vertical Measurements)

