

17.03(16) FENCES AND HEDGES The following regulations shall apply to all fences and hedges in the Village of Howard.

(a) Definition A "fence" shall be defined as an enclosing barrier consisting of vegetation, wood, stone, metal or other material. For the purposes of this ordinance, the term "fence" shall be construed to include plantings such as hedges.

(b) General Regulations No fence shall have sharp or pointed pickets dangerous to life or limb. Hedges and other plantings shall be continuously trimmed and all parts thereof confined to the property on which planted. Fences may be located on lot lines.

(c) Residential Fences The following regulations shall apply to all residential fences.

1. No fence shall exceed six (6) in height except as otherwise permitted or restricted by this ordinance.
2. Hedges may be permitted to grow to their natural height except as otherwise restricted by this ordinance.
3. No fence or hedge located in a front yard or corner side yard shall exceed three (3) feet in height.
4. Self-contained fencing or guardrails for swimming pools may be permitted to reach a height of eight (8) feet.
5. Barbed wire fences, electrical fences, and single, double and triple strand fences are prohibited.
6. The most attractive side of a fence shall face outward toward adjoining property.

(d) Commercial and Industrial Fences The following regulations shall apply to all commercial and industrial fences.

1. No fence shall exceed eight (8) feet in height except as otherwise permitted or restricted by this ordinance.
2. Hedges may be permitted to grow to their natural height except as otherwise restricted by this ordinance.
3. No fence or hedge located in a front yard or corner side yard shall exceed three (3) feet in height.
4. Arms or extensions which project from a fence shall project into the lot proper.
5. No fence or other structure, consisting in whole or in part of barbed wire, rods, bands or other material dangerous to life and limb, shall be erected along or within four (4) feet of any public street, sidewalk or alley.
6. In addition to the regulations contained herein, fences required for junk or salvage yards shall comply with the requirements specified in Chapter 12 of the Howard Municipal Code.

ILLUSTRATION OF TYPICAL FENCE INSTALLATIONS

[Section 17.03(16) of the Howard Municipal Code]

