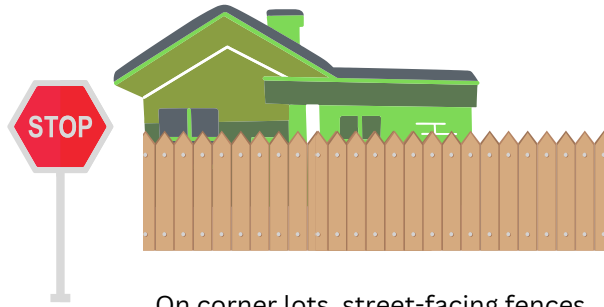




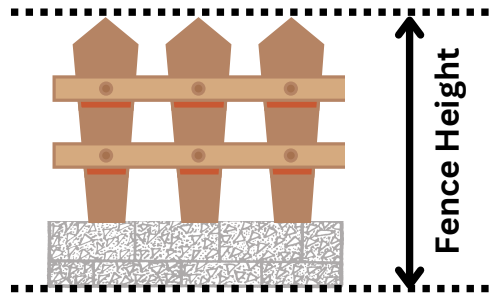
Where front yard fences are allowed, they cannot be taller than 4 feet.



Side and back yard fences cannot be taller than 8 feet, and must stop at the front of the house.

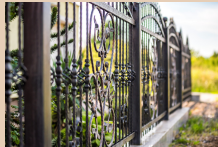


On corner lots, street-facing fences cannot be taller than 6 feet (unless you get approval from the Director of Development).



Fence height is measured from inside the fence line at the ground

Fencing Materials



Metal, Brick and Stucco



Wood



NO NEW Chain Link*



NO NEW Barbed Wire or Razor Wire**

* Unless it can't be seen from the street
 ** Except in industrial districts



City of Gretna Fact Sheet

Fencing Permits



Need a new fence? Here's what you need to know:

All new and replacement fences must be permitted! Please see reverse side for more information about fence requirements in Gretna. Fence permits are filed online at www.mygovernmentonline.org.

To apply for a fence permit you will need the following information:

- **Your zoning district AND if you are in a historic district.** You can look up your property's district from the Planning Department website <https://www.gretnala.com/departments/planning-zoning/>
 - *Zoning:* Use the "Layers" menu in the top left corner and under Districts check off "Zoning"
 - *Historic District:* Under Districts check off "McDonoghville District," and "National Historic Districts," and "Gretna Historic District"
 - *In historic districts you will need to provide an image of your proposed fence type and apply for Historic District Commission approval.*
- **Site Plan** showing the location of the fence on your property and the location of all structures, also indicating proposed fence height and material.
- **For commercial fences - A contract or invoice showing the cost of the project.** Residential fence permits are free.
- **For fences over 8 feet, or for chain walls with an above ground height over 12 inches (retaining wall) stamped drawings are required.**
- **A signed fence affidavit** is required, available from the permit office.

FENCES, CHAIN WALLS AND SCREENING:

- **Side and back yard fences** cannot exceed 8 feet, except on corner lots, where they cannot exceed 6 feet. Side yard fences may not extend past the front of the house.
- **Front yard fences** are only allowed in Old Gretna, McDonoghville and Jonestown neighborhoods. You can find a neighborhood overlay map at www.gretnala.com/UDC, page 200. Front yard fences cannot exceed 4 feet.
- **Allowed fencing materials** are wood, brick, stucco, metal or wrought/cast metal, with the finished side facing outward. Chain link or chain link plus fabric are prohibited in front yards or anywhere it can be seen from the street. Razor and barbed wire is only allowed in M-1 and M-2 districts, with prior approval.
- **Chain walls** can only be 12" high above the ground. The height of the fence will be measured from the ground and include the chain wall. A chain wall higher than 12" is considered a retaining wall requiring stamped plans.
- **Commercial requirements for fencing/screening:** Dumpsters and recycling containers, above ground utilities, outside storage areas. Screens must match the exterior of the main building and be tall enough to hide the object from sight, with dumpster screens being at least 6' tall.
- **Commercial and industrial buffers requirements** - may require fencing, see UDC Section 58-272 (e).
- **No fences allowed on vacant lots.**

FULL GRETNA FENCE REGULATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT

www.gretnala.com/UDC, see Sections 58-259 through 58-262

www.gretnala.com/departments/building/hdc/ for Historic District Guidelines

For more assistance please contact the Department of Planning and City Development at (504) 363-1556
Or Historic District Commission / Building Department at (504) 363-1563 (Rev. August 22, 2022)