



CITY OF INDIANOLA, IOWA FENCE REQUIREMENTS

Fences are regulated by **Chapter 165.04.4 titled 'Fences and Wall'** within the City of Indianola's Zoning Code. Although fences do not require a fence permit application, all fences must meet minimum zoning and building code requirements adopted by the City of Indianola. Please remember that the city does not locate property lines — a Professional Land Surveyor would be needed for accurate property line locations.

Fence Materials and Design

When designing your fence project, please keep the following in mind relating to allowed materials and design:

- ✓ Allowed materials include chain-link, wrought iron, aluminum, wood, polyvinyl chloride (PVC), and similar materials. Wood fencing must be resistant to decay.
- ✓ Sheet metal, chicken wire, woven wire, construction/snow fencing is prohibited.
- ✓ Fence color must be earth tone, neutral, or of a natural color.
- ✓ Fence frames and supports must be placed on the inside of the fenced-in area.
- ✓ Fences within the front yard area must be designed as 40% open.

Fence Locations and Setbacks

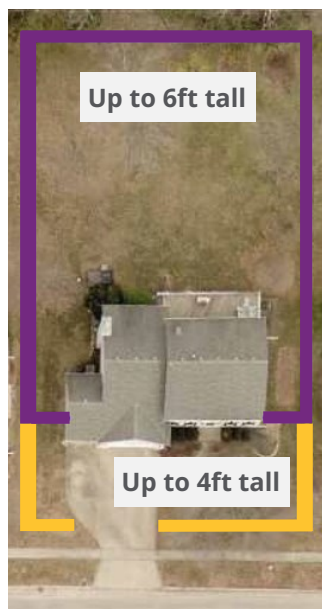
When finding a location for your fence, the following must be kept in mind relating to locations and setbacks:

- ✓ Fences located in the front yard area must be at least 2-feet away from property lines that are next to a public street.
- ✓ Fences cannot block passage through a recorded sidewalk/trail easement.
- ✓ Fences must be located on owner's property.
- ✓ If a fence is located in an overland flowage easement, the fence and fencing style must be at least 30% open. Additionally, the fence must be elevated at least 3-inches to allow for water flowage. Lastly, the property owner must maintain this area and take measures to ensure that water is not being restricted from flowing.

Allowable Fence Height Information — Residential Only

Standard Lots

Fencing located in front yard areas may be up to 4-feet in height. Fencing may be up to 6-feet in height in the rear yard. Please review the graphic for appropriate fencing locations and heights for standard lots.



Corner lots

Fencing located in front yard areas may be up to 4-feet in height. Please note that corner lots have two front yard areas. Fencing may be up to 6-feet in height in the rear yard. Please review the graphic for appropriate fencing locations and heights for corner lots. A 25'x25' visibility triangle must be maintained at the street intersection.

