

## FENCE MATERIALS CODE FROM LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES.

1. San Antonio-Permitted materials must be of similar durability to wood or masonry; prohibited materials include cast-off items or those not originally intended for fencing.

Allowed	Not Allowed
Wood (min. 5/8" plywood)	Low-grade plywood, particle board
Chain link	Sheet metal, roll metal
Decorative wrought iron	Plastic sheeting, plastic tarp
Stone, rock, brick, masonry	Barbed wire, razor wire
Concrete block, precast concrete panels	Any material not intended/marketed for fence construction

2. Westlake-While the code does not provide an exhaustive list of approved materials, it emphasizes that fencing materials should:
  - Blend with natural surroundings: Fences should be constructed to complement the natural environment in both color (e.g., brown, black, rust) and texture.
  - Allow visibility: Front-yard fences must allow a minimum of 80% visibility through the fence prior to landscaping installation.
  - Use quality materials: Columns, posts, supports, or other components should be made of metal (excluding chain link), brick, rock, stone, or wood to complement the principal structure and natural surroundings.
3. City of Austin-Permitted Fence Materials:
  - General Materials: Austin does not restrict specific fence materials; homeowners may use wood, vinyl, metal, chain link, etc., provided they comply with safety and design standards .
  - Pool Fencing: Chain-link or slatted fences are prohibited around pools due to climb ability concerns .
  - Prohibited Features:
    - Spiked pickets or decorative elements above the top rail
    - Vertical pickets spaced between 2–9 inches above the top rail
    - Razor wire or barbed wire (except around FAA-regulated airports)
    - Any design posing a risk of entrapment or impalement
4. Leander- Leander adheres to the 2015 International Residential Code with local amendments.
  - Permitted Fence Materials:  
Chain link, tubular steel, or board-on-board wood with open slat spacing are acceptable, especially within drainage easements.
  - Prohibited Features:  
Electrically charged fences  
Barbed wire (unless on agricultural properties over 5 acres)
5. Search for cities in Texas that specifically prohibit cinderblock, only 2 came up, Paris Texas and Texas City, Texas. SanAntonio specifically allows cinder block: if it meets durability and "aesthetic standards"

This is a general statement from Texas State Law concerning restricting building materials:

Texas House Bill 2439, effective since September 1, 2019, limits municipalities from restricting building materials approved by national model codes. However, this law primarily pertains to building exteriors and may not directly apply to fencing materials. Therefore, local ordinances regarding fencing materials, such as those mentioned above, may still be enforceable.