

1165.07 FENCES IN FRONT YARDS, SIDE YARDS AND ON CORNER LOTS; PROXIMITY TO SIDEWALKS.

(a) No fence shall be allowed in a front yard, except an ornamental fence in the Single Family, Multi Family, Mixed Use, Apartment, Retail and Industrial Districts. "Ornamental fence" means a continuous structure or device intended primarily for ornamentation and not for enclosing an area, to be no more than three and one-half feet in height, running from front corner to front corner of the house, consisting of a post or posts interconnected by a top rail and one center rail and connected between the top rails and center rails with all types of material so as to emit air through eighty percent of the area of the fence, and which is situated in its entirety within twelve feet of the front line of a building or the ground level projection thereof, and between lines constituting the forward extension of lines of the sidewalk/foundations of such building, or at the corners of a lot, so long as it does not exceed in length and width twenty-five percent of the frontal length of the lawn area and side length to the residence, respectively, and tapering from the corner to a height of one foot or less at its end. No ornamental fence shall be permitted at any other location in a front yard.

(b) No fence in the Single Family, Multi Family, Mixed Use, Apartment, Retail and Industrial Districts shall be permitted in a side yard, except that a fence shall be permitted in a side yard, which extends no further than the rear house or main building line or abuts a side entranceway door. Such a fence shall not extend toward the front line of the house or building more than two feet beyond the side entranceway door.

(c) Main buildings and houses situated on corner lots shall be bound by the same restrictions contained herein. Additionally, on corner lots, a fence may extend no more than four feet from the side of the main building or house and may not exceed four feet in height.

(d) In no circumstances shall any fence be permitted closer than four feet to a public sidewalk, except a corner front yard "ornamental" fence, which shall be no closer than one foot to a public sidewalk.

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