

## CITY OF NEW HAVEN FENCE REGULATIONS

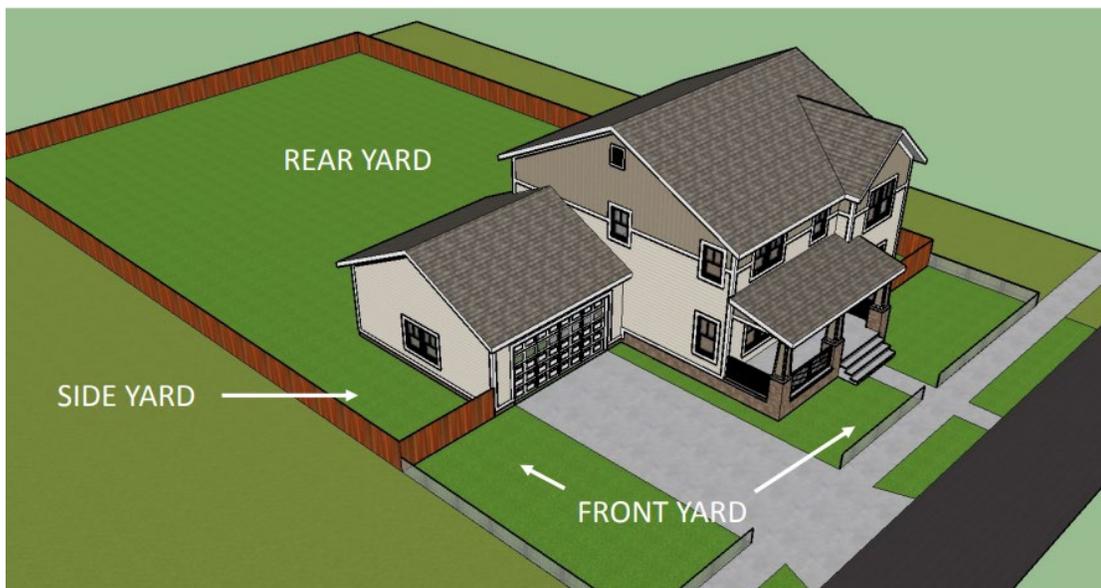
The City of New Haven's Zoning Ordinance regulates the placement of fences on private property. The following is intended to help residents learn more about the City's rules for residential fencing.

### **Location, Height, and Permit Requirements**

Fences may be located in any yard and along the edge of the property line. Fencing in the front, rear, and side yard require no setbacks from the property line. Fences on a side yard that meets with a street must have a 5' setback. You may need to have a licensed surveyor mark your property lines to ensure that your fence is not located on a neighbor's property.

Permitted fence materials are split rail, split rail with welded wire mesh, masonry, wrought iron, wood, polyvinylchloride (PVC), or a similar material which needs to be approved by the Planning Director.

The maximum allowable height varies depending on the location of the fence. Location also has an impact on the need to submit an Improvement Location Permit (ILP) to the New Haven Planning Department. Please refer to the table below for details.



<i>Location</i>	<i>Required Setback</i>	<i>Maximum Height</i>	<i>Permit Required?</i>
<i>Front Yard</i>	None	3'	Yes
<i>Interior Side Yard</i>	None	8'	No
<i>Street Side Yard</i>	5' from the property line	8'	No
<i>Rear Yard</i>	None	8'	No



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### **Permit Information**

A permit is required for fencing located in the front yard. These are available on the City's website under the Applications & Permits tab of the Planning Department's page. The application is titled "Residential ILP" and the fee is \$25. Applications must include a drawing of the property, home, and location of the proposed fence. Please make note of all fence setbacks from the property line and the fencing material on the drawing.

### **Easements and Other Restrictions**

Many properties have easements that are set aside for utility companies to access. Easements are recommended to be kept clear of any structures that would prevent utility crews from accessing the area for maintenance or repairs. Any fences that are placed on an easement may be removed for maintenance or repairs and replacement of fencing is the responsibility of the property owner.

Some neighborhoods have restrictive covenants which also regulate fences. If applicable, your Neighborhood Association should be contacted to find out if there are any rules that must be followed.

### **Questions?**

Call the Planning Department at (260) 748-7040 or email at [nhplan@newhaven.in.gov](mailto:nhplan@newhaven.in.gov).