

# Fences



Pullman City Code Section 17.35.030 and the International Building Code regulate the construction of fences within the city. Provided are some basic guidelines to follow in order to meet the requirements of both the zoning and building codes:

- A building permit is not required for fences seven feet in height and under; if you are proposing to construct a fence over seven feet, please contact the City of Pullman building division at (509) 338-3220.
- Fences shall not be more than 42 inches (3½ feet) in height in the front yard setback area.
- Fences shall not be more than 72 inches (6 feet) in height in the flanking street side yard\*.
- Trellises built as support structures for plant material are allowed in setback areas.
- Electric fences are allowed inside the City limits only under certain circumstances (see Code Section 17.35.030).
- Prior to starting construction of a fence, contact “Call Before You Dig” at 1-800-424-5555 (or dial 8-1-1) to locate utilities.

Another important factor to consider before building any structure on your property (or planting any large shrubs or trees) is the vision clearance requirement at intersections. If your property is located on a corner lot, please see the “Vision Clearance” handout to assist you in correctly locating your structure in the safest, most code-compliant manner.

**For more information** regarding fence construction , please see the Pullman City Code (<http://www.pullman-wa.gov/city-code>), view a copy in the Planning Department office at 325 SE Paradise Street, or give us a call at (509)338-3213.

\* Flanking street side yard is the side yard on a corner lot that is adjacent to the street.