

City of Pawnee Rock

Fencing Guidelines for Residents

See ORD 344 for complete regulations

For Residential Areas

The City of Pawnee rock is committed to providing an attractive and well maintained community. Active participation and cooperation of each resident is essential for meeting this goal. This handout highlights some of the major provisions of the city's Fence Ordinance 344 about fence construction and fence maintenance.

A fence can be constructed in the front yard, as a decorative entry fence, 50% open or see through fence. The front fence has a maximum height of four feet. Side and rear fences can be constructed to a maximum height of six feet.

A plot plan of the property is needed to show where the fence(s) will be located. A fence can be built near or up to a property line.

Fences adjacent to a thoroughfare are generally required to provide one gate opening to allow access to the area between the fence and the street for utility and fire access.

When do I need a fence permit? A fence permit is required when you are constructing a new fence or extending an existing one or changing the materials of the existing one.

What maintenance is required is required? Areas of fencing that are leaning, buckling, sagging or deteriorating must be repaired or replaced with comparable material. The area at the base of the fence must be kept free of debris and neatly trimmed.

How high can my fence be? Requirements for new or extended fences, four feet maximum in front building line, six feet on side and rear lines.

Where am I allowed to place it? A fence may be constructed up to or near your property line, except when the property line abuts a local street or alleyway, then a fence or wall may not be constructed on any Easement or Right of Way, unless a variance is granted by the City. **Note:** Curb line is not your property line. Person building the fence is responsible for locating the property line of their property and placing fence appropriately. **see K.S.A. 29-406** Removal of fence built upon land of another by mistake; damages.

Contact City Ordinance Officer for further assistance.

Ordinance 344 applies in its' entirety.