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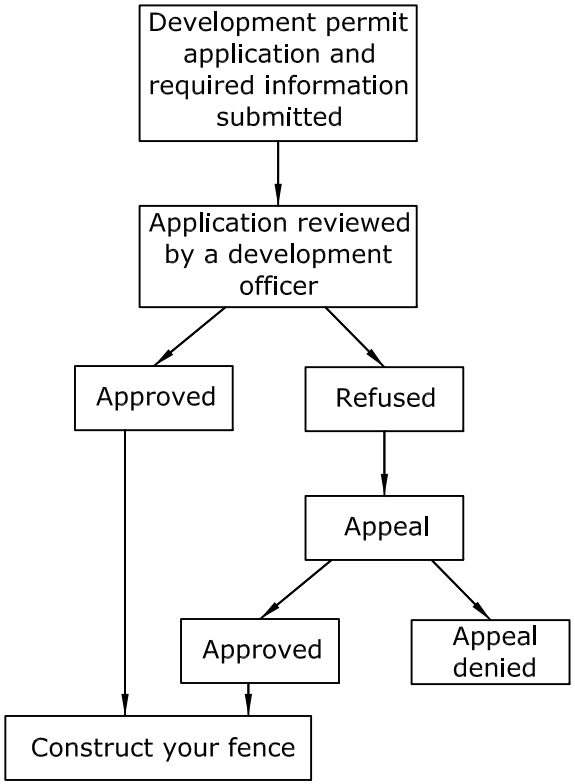

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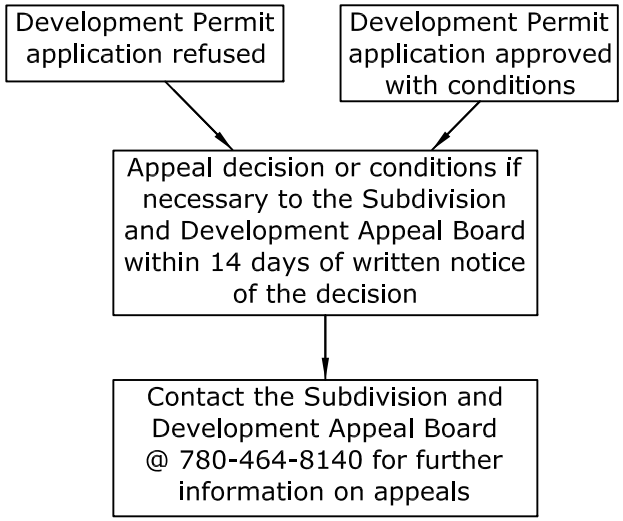

Further Information

The staff of Planning and Development will be pleased to explain the regulations and how they apply to your project.

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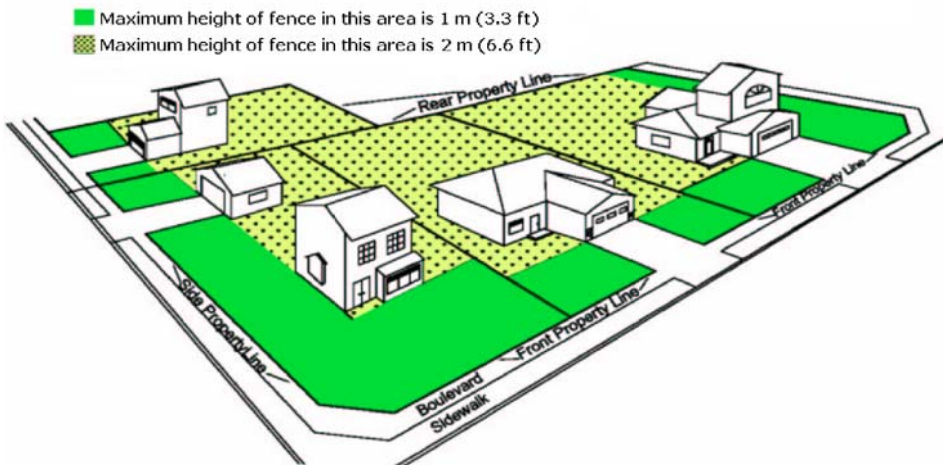


When to apply

For residential properties, a development permit is required if the height of your fence exceeds the maximum heights indicated in the diagram.

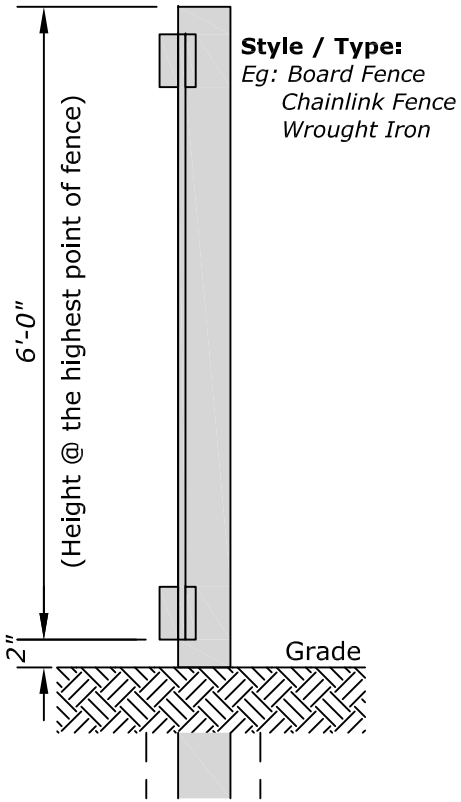
The maximum fence height is 2.0 m (6.6 ft) for the portion of the fence that does not extend beyond the foremost portion of the building and 1.0 m (3.3 ft) for the portion of a fence that does extend beyond the foremost portion of the building.

If you are fencing on a corner lot (abutting two streets), the maximum height is 1 m (3.3 ft.) for both the side and front yard abutting the street.

What to submit

- A completed development permit application including the property owner's signature
- A site plan (to scale) showing:
  - All structures on the property and the proposed fence location
  - Easements and utility rights-of-way (a site plan prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor may be required)
- Elevation drawing showing the height, and style of the fence
- Current copy of title
- Application fee (see current fee schedule)

Example of Elevation Drawing



Did You Know

Although the County does not regulate the style, colour, or type of fencing, the developer of your neighbourhood may. Please contact the developer or search the title of your property to obtain the restrictive covenants which may apply to your property.

The county does not require a permit for fencing on parcels over 2 acres in size provided fence does no exceed 2m (6.6 ft) in height and is entirely contained within the property boundaries.

A development officer may approve a higher fence for public safety, privacy, or buffering reasons.

Before constructing a fence call Alberta One-Call @ 1-800-242-3447 for buried utility locations.

Submitted drawings do not have to be professionally drawn, but must include all the required information and be legible to the satisfaction of the Development Officer.

The location of a fence between two lots is decided by yourself and your neighbour.

Where noise is a potential nuisance, a development officer may specify that the fence be designed to attenuate noise.

A building permit is not required for a fence, except where it is necessary for an outdoor swimming pool. Please check with a Safety Codes Officer at 780-464-8080.