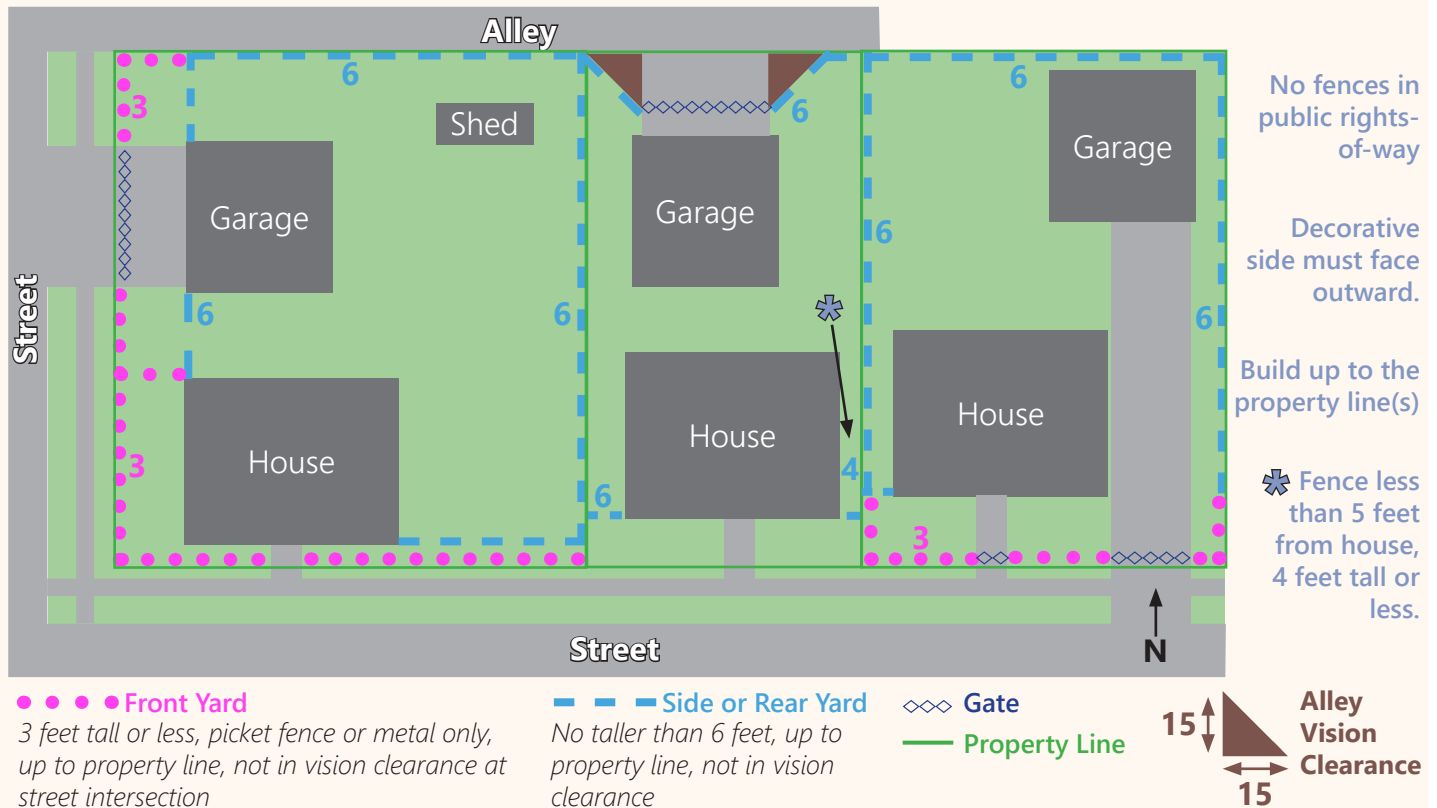


Fences - Residential

Where can I build a fence?



How tall can my fence be?



Metal

3 feet tall or less in front yard.

6 feet tall or less in any other yard.



Chain Link

6 feet tall or less.

Not in front yard.



Picket Fence

3 feet tall or less in front yard.

6 feet tall or less in any other yard.



Privacy

6 feet tall or less.

Not in front yard.

What if I build the fence myself?

1. Determine property lines.
2. Draw fence plan.
3. Obtain fence permit.
4. Build fence.
5. Request fence inspection.

When do I need a fence permit?

- Any chain link fence taller than 4 feet.
- Any other fence taller than 3 feet.

Can I vary from the standards?

- To use other fence materials.
- To construct taller fence.
- To change fence setback.

Contact planning@dmgov.org for more info.

Fences in Local Historic Districts

DSM.city/hdfences

A Certificate of Appropriateness is required.

Fence Inspection

Schedule online at DSM.city/css

Fence Permit Application

Indicate on Fence Plan:

- Property lines.
- House.
- Fence line with height & style.
- North arrow.

DSM.city/fencepermit

Applications can take 7-10 days to process.

