

Fort Worth, TX

Fence permit planning sheet

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The starting point

Fort Worth's adopted administrative code exempts fences not over 7 feet and open-wire fences without slats up to 8 feet, excluding specified electrified-fence barriers. The current residential page agrees with those height triggers. Front and projected-front yards have a separate 4-foot open-picket rule, with chain link prohibited there. Confirm zoning, historic, pool, easement and retaining-wall conditions before work; use Permit Assist and Accela when approval is required.

Before work starts

- ☐ Confirm Fort Worth jurisdiction, zoning and historic designation.
- ☐ Mark required/projected yards, property lines, easements and access.
- ☐ Describe solid versus open-wire construction, privacy slats and total height.
- ☐ Identify pool barriers, electrified systems, retaining walls and surcharge loads.
- ☐ Confirm the approval path, applicant eligibility, current fees and drawings.
- ☐ Obtain required approvals before work; arrange inspections and retain records.

Not a permit, property survey, engineering plan or legal determination.

Confirm current rules, site conditions and required approvals with the authority.

Official sources, conditions and the full guide:

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