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Fence permit planning sheet

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The starting point

Houston's adopted residential code exempts fences no higher than 8 feet only when they are not masonry or concrete and are not electrically energized. The city's fence service page requires permits above 8 feet and for wholly or partly masonry/concrete fences at any height. Other approvals and deed restrictions remain separate. Confirm the scope, drawings, current fees and inspections with Houston Permitting Center.

Before work starts

- [ ] Confirm City of Houston jurisdiction and the residential scope of the project.
- [ ] Record total height and any masonry, concrete columns or energized fencing.
- [ ] Check deed restrictions, easements, drainage, frontage and pool/gate requirements.
- [ ] Prepare the site plan, fence drawing, application and supporting declaration.
- [ ] Use the official current application route and confirm fees and required reviews.
- [ ] Keep required approvals and plans on site, schedule inspections and retain final 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:

fenceadvisors.com/blog/houston-tx-fence-permits-code

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