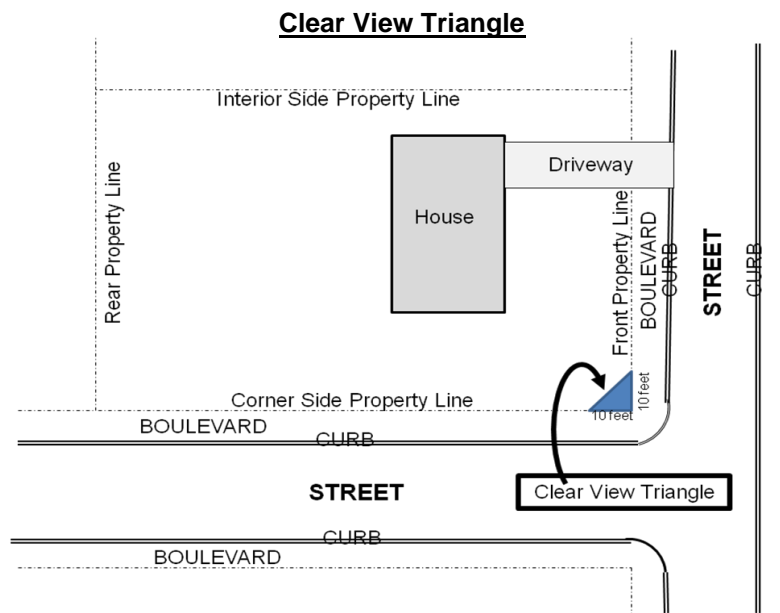


- Fence, as defined by ordinance, is any partition, structure, wall, or gate erected as a dividing marker, barrier, or enclosure and located within a boundary or within the required yard.
- Fences are allowed in any required yard or along any property line. The entire fence structure and supporting footings must be within the property boundaries. The owner of a fence is responsible for verifying the location of their property lines.
- Fence height is limited to a maximum of six feet along rear or side property boundary lines and four feet in the front yard. If the fence is within 15 feet from the front property line, then the fence must be less than 30 inches in height and not less than 50 percent transparent. Fences for agricultural uses must not be greater than eight feet above grade level and may be located along all property boundary lines.
- A fence cannot obstruct the safe view from any driveway or street. On corner lots in front or rear yard, no structure, fence or planting in excess of 30 inches above the curb line or less than 10 feet above the curb line shall be permitted within a clear view triangle described as that area that begins at the intersection of the impacted property line and corner side property line and is measured back 10 feet along both property lines. Those points are then connected with a straight line. See diagram below.



- Fences are allowed in drainage and utility easements, but repair or replacement is the responsibility of the homeowner should construction activity be required within the easement.
- No fences or walls shall be placed on or extend into the public rights-of-way.

- The following fencing materials are not permitted: fabric, tarp, sheet metals, plastic slats for chain-link, cardboard, pallets, sticks, plywood, or similar type materials as determined by City Staff.
- Every fence shall be constructed in a workmanlike manner and maintained in a condition of reasonable repair.
- The finished side of a fence must face abutting property or public right-of-way.
- All chain link fences must have a top rail, barbed ends must be placed at the bottom of the fence, and vertical posts must be spaced at intervals not to exceed ten feet.
- Electric fences are only allowed for parcels that are five or more acres in area and used to fence livestock. Barbed and razor wire fences are prohibited in all districts.
- Fences are required around swimming pools having a depth greater than 18 inches. The minimum required height is 4 feet. Any gates must be self-closing/latching and capable of being locked.
- No fence or wall shall obstruct a motorist's or pedestrian's safe view from the driveway or street as determined by the City.
- A building permit is not required for the installation of fences. However, you must call Gopher State One Call at 651-454-0002 **before you dig** to identify any underground utility locations.
- If the property is located within a Homeowner's Association (HOA), please contact the HOA to verify there are no additional requirements before constructing a fence.
- The above information is excerpted from Cottage Grove City Code Titles 11-3-4 and 9-11-4. Other criteria may apply where development restrictions and private covenants prevail.