# - Fences -

An accessory structure such as a fence is regulated by 17.0209 of Pewaukee's Zoning Code. A summary of these regulations is below.



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# **Permitting Process**

◆ A fence requires a **Zoning Permit** See Building Services Department for application forms and online permitting

Include the following ...

- A scale drawing and elevation of the proposed structure and site plans showing its location on the lot, with dimensions
- Fence sample via photo or spec sheet
- ✓ Upon submission and review, if the proposed structure meets all building and zoning requirements, it will be approved administratively

## **Building Services**



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All accessory structures in Single-Family and Two-Family Residential Districts shall comply with the following standards, unless otherwise specified under Section 17.0209(2) detailed standards for specific uses and structures.

#### **Location & Setbacks**

- Fences shall not be located within a vision clearance triangle or within five (5) feet from a street property line when abutting a street.
- Fences shall be setback a minimum of five (5) feet from the right-of-way line on a corner lot or two (2) feet on a double frontage lot.
- · Fences shall be setback a minimum of two (2) feet from the property line to allow for maintenance of the fence.

#### Fences shall also be setback a minimum of:

- 1. Five (5) feet from any public easement
- 2. Twenty-five (25) feet from a wetland
- 3. Seventy-five (75) feet from a 100-year floodplain boundary or Ordinary High Water Mark of a navigable waterway, unless otherwise allowed in this ordinance.

### **Height & Design**

- · Fences shall not exceed a height of six (6) feet as measured from grade
- Fences shall be ornamental and not exceed a height of three (3) feet when placed on the street side of a residence within the front yard.
- · No barbed wire, chicken wire, or electrically charged fences shall be allowed as permanent fencing in residential zoning districts.

## **Definitions**

#### **Fence**

Any wooden, masonry, concrete, plastic structure or a densely planted hedge or other living plant material intended to enclose an open space for purposes of security or confinement, or intended as a visual or audible screening device, or intended for aesthetic ornamentation which is no more than two (2) feet in height measured at grade.

Retaining walls for the purpose and as part of a grading plan shall not be considered a fence.

## **Fence, Ornamental**

A fence structure, not a common or privacy fence, constructed and placed so as not to obstruct vision and intended for aesthetic purposes only.

Ornamental fences shall have a minimum opacity of fifty percent (50%) and fifty percent (50%) visual obstruction provided by the fence.