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Fences, Walls, and Gates

Applies to the construction, replacement, and
maintenance of all fences, walls, and retaining walls

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Application Checklist

**If not applying electronically 2 Copies of all documentation is required*

Submittal Requirements	Provided	Required	Not Applicable
Permit Application - completed and signed			
Checklist, Page 2 - completed			
Commercial – completed and signed notarized owner's affidavit from property owner.			
A scaled Site Plan that includes the following:			
▪ Graphic Scale and North Arrow			
▪ Property Lines according to the recorded survey			
▪ Location of proposed fence/walls/gates			
▪ Identify the distance of the fence/wall/gate from the front property line			
▪ Note the height of the fence/wall/gate			
▪ Provide NM One Call Ticket Number. NM One Call 1-800-321-2537			
Is there an associated approved Administrative Deviation or Variance? If so, a copy of the recorded Certificate of Approval.			

**** This list is not all inclusive, additional information may be required depending on scope of project****

Reviewed by Permit Tech: _____ Revised 6/5/2025

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Project Information

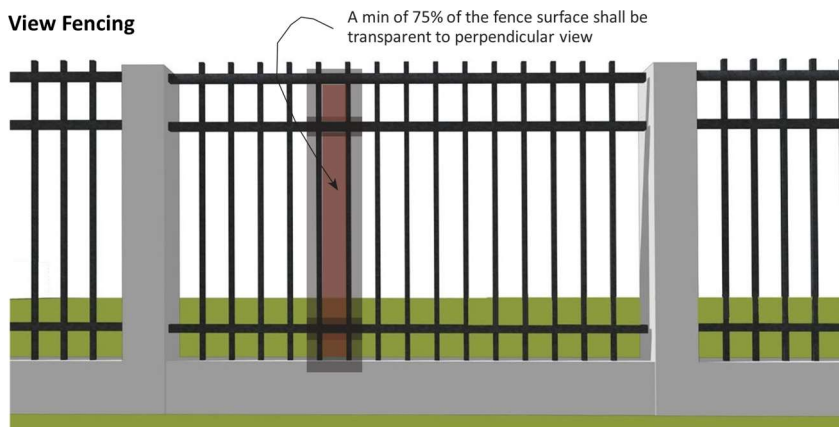
1. Is your fence/wall taller than 6-ft? ☐ No ☐ Yes
If 'yes', how deep are your footings? _____ - ft

2. Fence/Wall Description:

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| ☐ Chain-link | ☐ Brick/Masonry | ☐ Shadowbox Fence |
| ☐ Panel (Wood or Vinyl) | ☐ Wrought Iron | ☐ Describe Other: _____ |
| ☐ Picket | ☐ Split-rail | |

3. Fence Type: ☐ Solid ☐ View **See Figure below.**

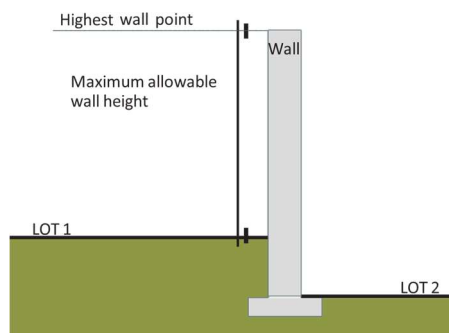
View Fencing



4. Is there a difference in the ground elevation or finished grade between properties? ☐ No ☐ Yes

If so, the height is determined by using the finished grade of the highest contiguous property.

See Figure on right



Good to Know

- Fences/Walls shall be located on the applicant's property and not located on shared property lines.
- Footings shall not encroach onto any adjoining property.
- Fences/Walls shall be constructed of durable materials that are weather and decay resistant.
- Barbed wire, razor wire, or barbed take is prohibited, except for GC, IND, and RA zone districts.
- Finished side of the fencing must face adjacent properties and the public rights-of-way, including public open space.

Resources

- Learn more about Fences, Walls, and Gates by reading Article IV, Division 7: <https://lacnm.com/MunicipalCode>
- Need a copy of your recorded survey? Ask the Clerk's Office at clerks@lacnm.us.
- Los Alamos County Interactive Parcel Viewer: <https://lacnm.com/LACParcelViewer>