

Village of Mount Pleasant, WI
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Chapter 90. Zoning

ARTICLE 400. Village-Wide Regulations

Division 90-435. Fences and Walls

§ 90-435.10. Applicability.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

The fence and wall regulations of this division apply to all fences and walls. See also § 90-430.70 for the specifications governing fences and walls used to satisfy landscape and screening regulations of Division 90-430.

§ 90-435.20. Prohibited locations.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

- (a) Fences and walls may not encroach upon any public property or rights-of-way.
- (b) Solid or opaque fences and walls may not be constructed or remain in a position in violation of the intersection visibility regulations of Division 90-437.

§ 90-435.30. General regulations.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

- (a) The finished or more aesthetically pleasing side of all fences must face the adjacent neighbor, public right-of-way or Village-approved private drive.
- (b) Shrubs, trees, or hedges planted to function as a opaque fence or wall are subject to the applicable fence and wall height regulations of this division.
- (c) Fence heights are measured in accordance with § 90-610.160.

§ 90-435.40. Fences and walls in residential districts.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

- (a) Front yard. Fences and walls are permitted in the front yard area of a lot in an R District only if such fence or wall does not exceed 3.5 feet in height. All other front yard fences and walls in R Districts are prohibited. For purposes of this provision, the front yard area is considered the area forward of the street-side-facing wall of the principal building (between the principal building and the street). On corners lots, only one of the street yards is required to be designated as a front yard area for purposes of these fence and wall regulations.

- (b) Side and rear yards. Fences or walls erected along the interior side lot line, in the interior side yard (between abutting properties), along the rear lot line, or in the rear yard may not exceed six feet in height.

§ 90-435.50. Fences and walls in districts other than residential districts.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

Fences and walls in districts other than R Districts are subject to a maximum height limit of eight feet. The Plan Commission is authorized security fences and walls up to 10 feet in height in accordance with the Plan Commission site plan procedures of Division 90-540.

§ 90-435.60. Materials.

[Ord. No. 19-2020, 6-8-2020]

- (a) Unless otherwise expressly stated in this zoning chapter, fences, walls, screens, and retaining walls may be constructed of wood, masonry, concrete, wrought-iron, or chain-link. The Community Development Director is authorized to approve the use of alternative materials, provided that the material offered is at least the equivalent of the above-prescribed materials in suitability, strength and durability.
- (b) No electrified, barbed wire, razor wire, or any other type of fence designed to cause bodily harm is allowed in any district, except that the Community Development Director is authorized to approve such fencing in A2, M2, M3, or P2 Districts, subject to administrative site plan approval.

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