



CITY OF SWIFT CURRENT

FENCES

Fences in residential zones do not require permits for their construction, but are subject to a few criteria:

1. Height is limited to 2.0 m (6'-6") when measured from the higher side of a lot and is restricted to the rear portion of the lot which starts from the building plane closest to the narrow street face and runs to the alley (or back of lot where no alley exists).
2. A fence may only be 0.8 meters (2-8") high in the front yard. The front yard runs from the front plane of the house to the street.
3. The use of barb wire and electrified fencing in residential zones is not permitted.
4. Placement of fences between private landowners is not adjudicated by the city and disagreements are deemed as civil matters; and
5. Fences are not to be built on city property. Please note that boulevards (measured from the back of a sidewalk) can range anywhere from 7' to 11'.

There are no regulations regarding fence placement and ownership. Because of this, no one should ever assume that a fence is constructed on the property line. If there is a dispute between neighbours regarding fence ownership or placement, this is a civil matter, and the City of Swift Current will not render a judgement. The only way to determine on whose property a fence is physically located is to have a Saskatchewan Land Surveyor carry out a survey. Fees for this service are charged by the Surveying Company.

When constructing a fence around or near a fire hydrant, allow 1.0 metre (3') distance away from the hydrant.

Do not build your fence on City property. If a fence is located on City property and needs to be removed because the City must do work on sidewalks (as an example), it will not be replaced by the City.