

DRUM POINT FENCE GUIDELINES

DEFINITIONS:

Ornamental Fence - Split Rail, Rail Fence, Picket Fence, etc and less than or equal to 42 inches high are considered ornamental. Chain Link and Privacy Fences are not considered ornamental

Non Ornamental Fences - Any fence over 42 inches in height and any type of fence not considered ornamental per above definition.

Privacy Fence - A fence constructed such that visibility through it is virtually impossible (i.e. Silhouette Area is greater than 75%)

Silhouette Area - That surface area of a fence that is not transparent

$$\% \text{ Silhouette Area} = \frac{\text{Non visible vertical area of fence}}{\text{Total vertical plane area of fence}} \times 100$$

GENERAL RULES

- *Permission for the installation of fences in critical areas is subject to Calvert County Critical Area Rules and requires consultation with and permission from Calvert County Planning and Zoning (Critical Areas).*
- *Fences shall not be placed on any platted easements.*
- Fences shall not be placed in the road right of way nor should they impede the view of drivers transiting the road.
- For lots bordering on the water, privacy style fences (or any fence consisting of greater than 15% silhouette area) are not encouraged within 50 feet of a water edge. This is to ensure slightly views from the water and adjacent home owners.
- Privacy fences shall be constructed so the least attractive side of the fence faces the fence owner (i.e. the "Ugly Side" shall face the owner and the "Pretty Side" face out to the neighbor or side street)

FRONT SIDE OF A LOT

Definition - The front side of the lot is considered that side which borders on the street (for corner lots, this would be the side of the lot which borders the street where the house main / formal entrance faces).

- Non Ornamental fences should not be placed between the front most portion of the main structure and the right of way.
- In cases where the main structure is not the front most building, Non Ornamental fences should be restricted to that area immediately between the front of the forward building and the street (i.e. the space between the forward building and the street)

BACK OF A LOT

Definition - The side most opposite the front

- General rules apply

SIDE OF A LOT

Definition - The side of the lot between the back and the front

- General rules apply