
FENCE GUIDE

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW



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DEFINITIONS:

Residential Zone

Any area designated as a residential zone under the provisions of any restricted area by-law in force in the Town of Halton Hills and any Lot where the predominant use is for residential purposes.

Fence

Includes a railing, wall, line of posts, wire, gate, boards, pickets, Privacy Screens or other similar substances, used to enclose or divide in whole or in part a Yard or other land or to provide privacy.

Effective Ground Level

The existing ground level upon which the Fence is erected on or to be erected upon.

Rear Yard

A yard extending across the full width of a Lot between the rear Lot line of that Lot and the main wall nearest to the Rear Yard Lot line of the main building or structure on that Lot.

Side Yard

A Yard extending from the Front Yard to the Rear Yard between the side Lot line and the main wall nearest to the side Lot line of the main building or structure on that Lot.

Interior Side Yard

a Side Yard other than an Exterior Side Yard, which Side Yard extends from the Front Yard to the Rear Yard, between the side Lot line and the main wall nearest to the Interior Side Yard Lot line of the main building or structure on that Lot

Exterior Side Yard

The Side Yard of a Corner Lot, which Side Yard extends from the Front Yard to the Rear Yard between the side Street Line and the main wall nearest to the exterior Side Yard Lot line of the main building or structure on that Corner Lot.

Front Yard

A yard extending across the full width of a Lot, and lying between the Front Lot Line of the Lot and that part nearest to the Front Lot Line of any building or structure on that Lot.



Front Lot Line

A line that divides a Lot from the street, provided that in the case of either a Through Lot or a Corner Lot, the line dividing the Lot from the street upon which the property is addressed shall be deemed to be the Front Lot Line.

Open Type Construction Fence

A Fence constructed so that at least one third of its vertical surface area is open space, enabling motorists and pedestrians to have a clear view through such Fence.

Corner Lot

A Lot situated at the intersection of two or more streets having an angle of intersection of not more than one hundred and thirty-five degrees (135°).

Sight Triangle

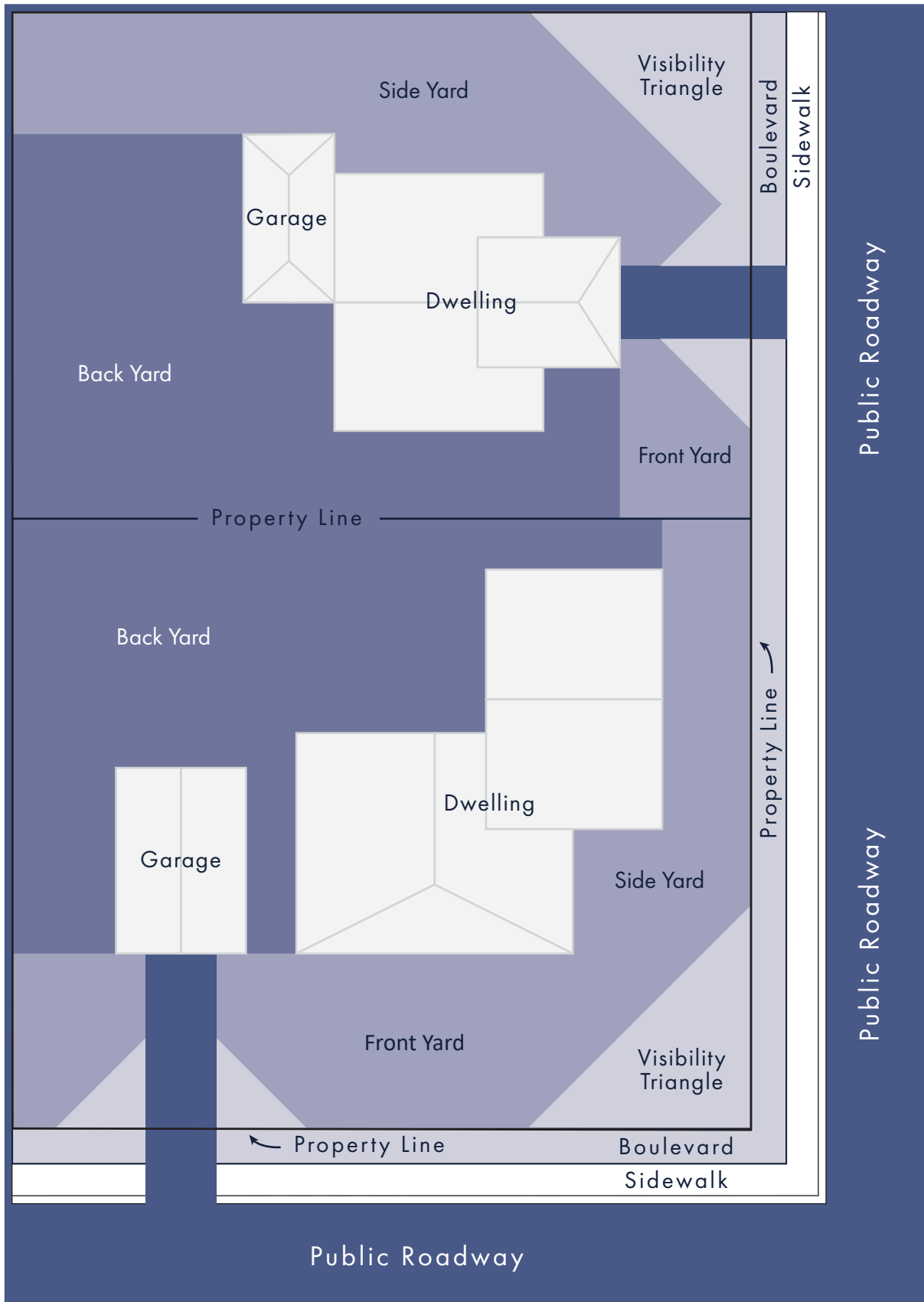
- (a) That portion of a Corner Lot within the triangular space formed by the Street Lines and a straight line drawn from a point in one Street Line to a point in the other Street Line, each such point being:
- Local to Local Highways
- (i) 4.5 metres (14.7 feet) measured along each Street Line from the point of intersection of the Street Lines; Local/Collector to Collector Highways .
 - (ii) 7 metres (22.9 feet) measured along each Street Line from the point of intersection of the Street Lines;
Local/Collector to Regional/MTO Highways
 - (iii) 12 metres (39.3 feet) measured along each Street Line from the point of intersection of the Street Lines; or such other Sight Triangle set out;



GENERAL FENCE REGULATIONS:



- 4(2) No person shall, in a Residential Zone within any Interior Side Yard, Exterior Side Yard or Rear Yard erect, cause to be erected or maintain or permit a Fence exceeding 2.13 metres (7 feet) in height.
- 4(3) No person shall, in a Residential Zone within a Front Yard erect, cause to be erected or maintain or permit a Fence exceeding 0.9 metres (3 feet) in height .
- 4(5) Notwithstanding Section 1 (10) of this by-law, on a Corner Lot where a driveway is not located within the same Yard as the street address of the Property, the line dividing the Lot from the street upon which the driveway is located shall be deemed to be the Front Lot Line.
- 4(8) No person shall erect or cause to be erected a Fence constructed with plywood or scrap metal.
- 4(9) Notwithstanding Section 4(2), no person shall in any Yard or Lot erect, cause to be erected, or maintain or permit a Fence that obstructs the view of a motorist or is determined to be a safety hazard under any other legislation or by-law.
- 4(10) Notwithstanding any of the provisions set out in this by-law, no person shall erect, cause or permit to be erected or maintain a fence that obscures clear visibility of normal approaching pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- 4(11) Where a rear yard of one property abuts the front yard of an adjoining property and the safety of passing pedestrians and vehicular traffic may be affected from any vehicular movement by the presence of a solid type rear yard fence, then that portion of the fence erected within 4.5 metres of the nearest street line shall be an open type construction fence.



- Visibility Triangle:**
 No higher than 1.6 m (5' 6")
- Front Yard:**
 No higher than 0.9 m (3')
- Back/side Yard:**
 No higher than 2.13 m (7')