

Fences at Hobsonville Point

All fence and wall heights must comply with the Design Code. If in doubt see contact details below.

1. Front Fences

- i) The front boundary fence of a property, along the street frontage, is to be 900mm high.
- ii) The fence must be in the materials, style and colour defined for that property.
- iii) Note all the Regulations below.
- iv) Corner sections have a 900mm high fence on the front boundary and along the side boundary to where the outdoor living space is positioned. Corner sections have two front fences and in some cases they are not defined by a fence at all. The portion of the fence which defines the official living space (the backyard) boundary may have a 1.8m fence for privacy.
- v) Where a 1.8m high privacy fence is visible from the public realm (e.g. corner lots and rear lanes), the top 0.5m (50mm) portion of the fence must be semi transparent. Fencing must be designed with a sectioned or stepped profile on side sloping lots (i.e. not follow the slope of the land.)

2. Side Fences which screen the outdoor living space

- i) The side boundary fence which screens the outdoor living space of the property is to be no higher than 1.8m high. If the house has been built on a platform the height is measured from street level unless a special dispensation has been given (for an exceptional situation).
- ii) The fence must be in the materials, style and colour defined for that property.
- iii) Note all the Regulations below
- iv) Where a 1.8m high privacy fence is visible from the public realm (e.g. corner lots and rear lanes), the top 0.5m (50mm) portion of the fence must be semi transparent. Fencing must be designed with a sectioned or stepped profile on side sloping lots (i.e. not follow the slope of the land.)

3. Gates

- i) Gates may be incorporated into fences and walls for pedestrian entrance paths or across driveways.
- ii) The gate must be in keeping with the scale of the fence or wall with which it is associated, and should be permeable (semi-transparent).
- iii) The gate is to be in suitable materials, style and colour for that property.

4. Coastal Edge and Public Open Space Fencing

This is where your boundary is shared with a public open space. All boundaries that are along an open space should follow these criteria regardless of whether it is a front, side or rear fence - all fences are considered to be front fences in design and materials. Front fences are 900mm high.

5. Special Note - Exclusions - Material which cannot be used

Certain materials and systems are excluded for aesthetic and/or practical reasons. These are:

- Unstained or unpainted pinus radiata retaining walls or fencing
- Sheet panels (e.g. fibre-cement)
- Acrylic spray finishes on sheet boarding.

6. Communication about Fences and Gates

If any Member or property owner has any questions about varying the fencing on their property they must send details and photographs for consideration to the HPRS Committee info@hprs.co.nz

7. Regulations

10.4 fences and walls

- All lots must have a front fence or low wall combined with planting on the boundary line, unless the building is within 1.5m of the front boundary and separation is created by planting or other architectural elements (e.g. steps, terrace, verandah).
- A fence or wall must be designed to relate to the materials of the house with which it is associated. It need not be of the same materials, but it needs to have a similar quality and substance.
- Lots adjoining special street character areas must have masonry or stone walls on the front boundary. All other lots may use varied fencing styles to define the front boundary and create variety and individuality.
- Fences and walls must be set back from the front boundary by 0.6m to allow for service plinths in accordance with the Design Code. Alternatively where there are space constraints requiring a fence to be located on the boundary line, service plinths and meters should be located behind fences (with the approval of relevant authorities where required).
- Fence and wall heights must comply with the Design Code.
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