

GUIDELINES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MASONRY OR CONCRETE FENCE WALLS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT

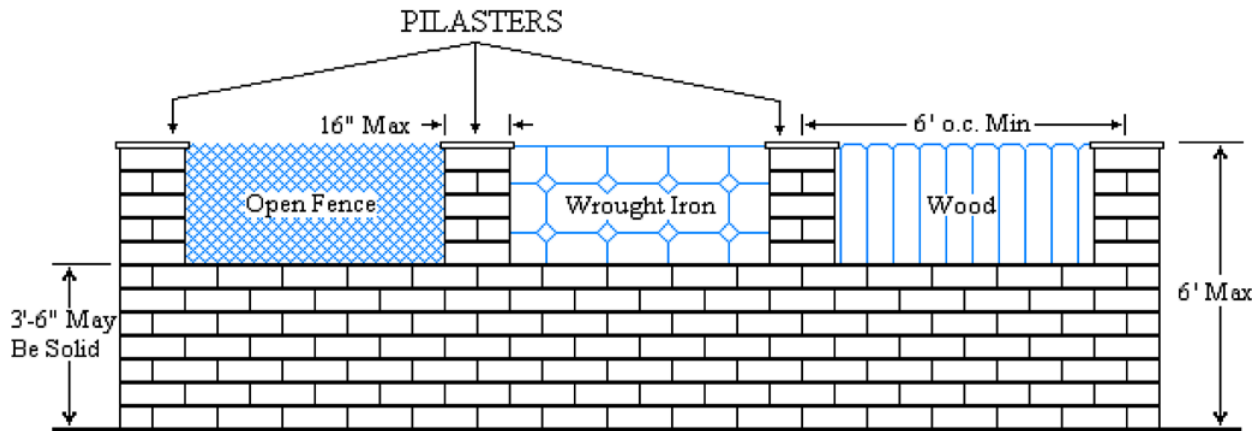
Section 106.2 of the 2020 Los Angeles Building Code and Los Angeles Residential Codes (LABC, LARC) require a building permit for masonry or concrete fences over 3 ½ feet high, and other fences over 10 feet high.

This information bulletin establishes guidelines for fences with height of 6 feet or less, partially constructed with masonry/concrete, which do not require a building permit.

A building permit is NOT required for a fence wall that is partially constructed with concrete or masonry under the following conditions:

1. No portion of the wall exceeds a height of 6'-0".
2. Masonry/concrete pilasters, with a maximum height of 6'-0" and a maximum width of 1'-4", shall be spaced a minimum of 6'-0" on center.
3. The portion of the wall between pilasters may be constructed of masonry/concrete with a maximum height of 3'-6".
4. The remaining portion of the wall shall be constructed with open, wrought iron grillwork, wood, or some other lightweight, non-masonry/concrete material.

The following fence wall detail clarifies the requirements.



Zoning Height Limitations

All fences constructed on a lot, regardless of whether a permit is required, shall comply with all applicable Zoning Code regulations, including Specific Plans and other overlays. The maximum height is 3.5 ft from grade in the front yard or within 5 feet of the side street lot line of a reverse corner lot in the R / RW zones, except for A or RA zones. For more information, please see [Information Bulletin P/ ZC 2020-002](#) for "Height of Fences in Residential Zones" for additional information