



# CITY OF EL MONTE

Community & Economic Development Department  
Planning Division

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## Walls & Fence Requirements

### Application Check List

- 4 Sets of plans (11x17 paper minimum)
- Site Plan
- Section Elevation of fence/wall
- Fully Executed Zoning Clearance Application
- Neighborhood Awareness Form or land survey (if applicable)

### Single-Family Residential Requirements

1. **Prohibited Materials:**  
No barbed, pointed, spiked, razor, piercing or other similar materials may be attached to or placed upon any wall or fence.
2. **Front Yards:**  
No Solid fence, wall or hedge shall exceed a height of **four (4) feet**.
  - A maximum five (5) foot fence may be constructed provided that it is at least fifty (50) percent decorative wrought iron with decorative block pilasters.
3. **Side Yards:**  
No solid fence, wall or hedge shall exceed a height of **six (6) feet**.
  - Any solid fence, wall or hedge located **within ten (10) feet of a street side yard** shall not exceed a height of **four (4) feet**.
  - A maximum five (5) foot fence may be constructed provided that it is at least fifty (50) percent decorative wrought iron with decorative block pilasters.
4. **Rear Yards:**  
No Solid Fence, wall or hedge shall exceed a height of **six (6) feet**.
5. **Wall/ Fence Materials:**  
Color Block, Slump Stone, Split Face, Brick, Stucco with Pilasters, and Decorative Wrought Iron

### Multi-Family Residential (3 or more units)

1. Comply with Single-Family Residential Requirements
2. Vehicular entry gates shall be setback **twenty (20) feet** from street property line

### Commercial/ Industrial Requirements

1. The overall height of any wall or fence and wires shall not exceed **eight (8) feet** in height.
2. All fencing shall be set back from any street property line a minimum of **seven (7) feet**. This **seven (7) foot** strip shall be properly maintained and underground irrigation systems shall be installed.
3. All fences located in front and street side yards for commercial and industrial uses shall be solid masonry or decorative wrought iron.
4. Barbed, pointed, spiked, razor, piercing or other similar materials may be attached to walls and fences of commercial or industrial zoned and used properties except along, parallel to, and/or within **twenty-five (25) feet** of any public right of way. Where such zones abut any residentially zoned property, the above referenced materials are prohibited.\*
5. Commercial or industrial uses abutting a property classified or used for residential purposes shall be separated by a solid masonry wall of **six (6) feet** in height using an average grade between adjacent lots. Separation walls located along the front property line of the abutting residential property shall be **four (4) feet** in height.
6. Vehicular entry gates shall be setback **twenty (20) feet** from street property line

### Residential Restrictions



Plain, flat face block is **NOT** acceptable.



Spikes on wrought iron are **NOT** acceptable.

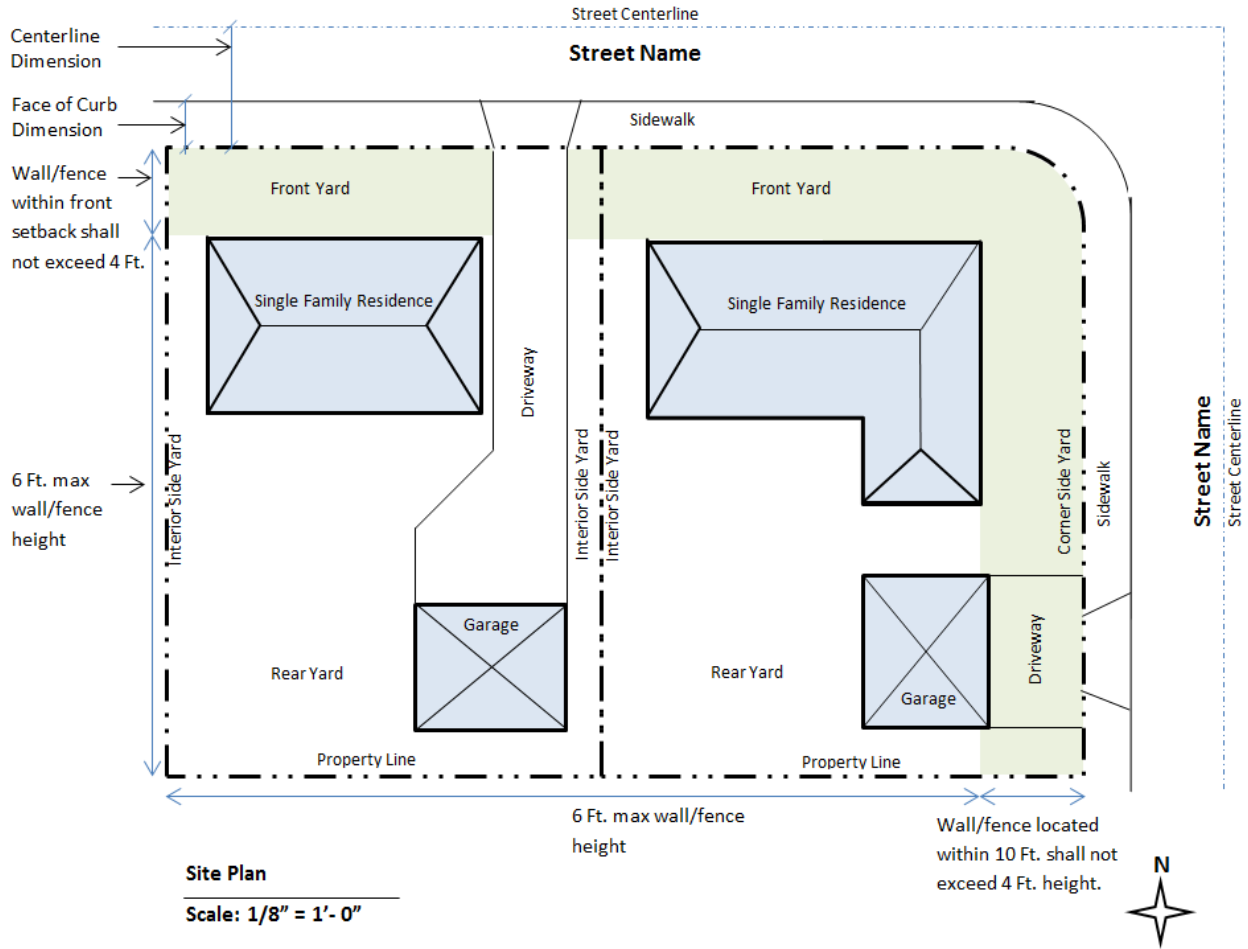
Note:

\*May apply to Commercial/ Industrial, see requirement #4

## Site Plan Check List

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Property lines and outline of all structures within property | <input type="checkbox"/> Fence materials and height callout                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Setback dimensions  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street labels  | <input type="checkbox"/> Dimensions from property line to face of curb or street centerline | <input type="checkbox"/> Driveway dimensions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structure labels   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> North arrow         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence length dimensions                                      |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Scale               |

## Site Plan Example



## Section Elevation Check List

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scale             | <input type="checkbox"/> Callout Finish Material |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Height Dimensions |  |

## Section Elevation Example

