



## **Fence Standards**

As of July 26, 2011

This is a new standard for HGC which covers replacement, changes or new construction of the horizontal board fences in this cluster. The fence standards were approved by DRB on July 26, 2011.

### **Overview:**

Fences shall be constructed with the sections flat and level, and stepped to accommodate any change in grade (the bottom of the fence may follow the grade or be stepped; the steps should not exceed 12" at top or bottom).

DRB approval is required for new fence installations (where no fence exists at present). DRB approval is also required if a homeowner wants to build a new fence which differs from the standard unless that fence exactly replicates the existing DRB approved fence.

Existing setbacks shall be maintained.

### **Materials, Details and Color**

Fences should be planned with vertical structural 4x4 posts placed no more than 6 feet apart throughout the fence structure. This will help to ensure the structural integrity (strength) of the fence.

All horizontal board fences must be made of 1"x 6" and 1"x 4" alternating boards, with ½ inch spacing between each alternating board and with the finished side out. Posts must be 4"x 4" with a 1" x 4" vertical front cap, except on the exterior corners which are covered by a 1"x 6" vertical front cap. The fence shall be capped on top by a 2" x 6" capboard.

Fence gates shall match the fence itself. All fences must be painted the same color as the house's official color from the HGCA color palette. (see Gates section)

### **Front Fences**

Front fences for units with a side entrance, shall be 3'6" tall.

For units which have patio doors that face the front of the unit, the front fence should be 5' tall. For these models where the air conditioner sits on the opposite side of the patio and front entrance, the fence that screens the HVAC shall be 3'6" or 5'. Fence height must be sufficient to conceal HVAC.

Front fences which connect to masonry walls may be a maximum of 6 feet.

**Rear Fences**

Rear fences shall be a maximum of 5 feet tall.

In the case of an end unit, the rear fence cannot come forward further than the midpoint of the house on the side that is contiguous with cluster property.

**Gates**

Gate must match the materials and design of the fence, be the same height as the fence and the top(s) be flat (not rounded). DRB approval required if gate to fully enclose front yard.

**Summary of Materials and Color Specifications**

Front Fences	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Boards: 1" x 6" and 1" x 4"</li> <li>2. Board Spacing: 1/2"</li> <li>3. Posts: 4" x 4"</li> <li>4. Cap boards: 2" x 6" top, 1" x 6" corner post, 1" x 4" intermediate post</li> <li>5. Color to match house color</li> <li>6. Maximum 6' between posts</li> </ol>
Rear Fences	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Boards: 1" x 6" and 1" x 4"</li> <li>2. Board Spacing: 1/2"</li> <li>3. Posts: 4" x 4"</li> <li>4. Cap boards: 2" x 6" top, 1" x 6" corner post, 1" x 4" intermediate post</li> <li>5. Color to match house color</li> <li>6. Maximum 6' between posts</li> </ol>
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