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**Policy No. 600-3**

**Residential Fence**

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**1.0 Purpose**

1.1 This policy is to establish consistent residential fence regulations within the Town of Midale.

**2.0 Definition**

2.1 Fence shall mean a free-standing structure designed to restrict or prevent movement over a boundary.

**3.0 Materials – acceptable and unacceptable**

3.1 Fencing undertaken in residential areas shall be of a decorative nature consisting of acceptable materials based on site characteristics of the surrounding properties.

3.2 Examples of ***unacceptable materials*** for residential fencing are as follows, but not limited to:

- rough-cut lumber (corral boards),
- page wire or chain link with open sections larger than 15 cm x 15 cm (6" x 6"),
- electric fence,
- strand wire (barbed wire),
- wood pallets.

**4.0 General Provisions**

4.1 A fence, gate, wall or other means of enclosure in a residential area shall be constructed to a maximum distance above ground level of:

- 4.1.1 Six (6') feet in the rear or side yard of any site;
- 4.1.2 Four (4') feet in the front yard of any site, excepting where a lot's side property line constitutes a rear lot line of an abutting site, in which case, the provision of 4.1.1 shall apply;
- 4.1.3 Six (6") feet in the case if a side yard is flanking a major roadway or municipal reserve parcel;

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4.2 Fences shall be situated along the common property line or entirely within the boundaries of the lot on which they are being constructed. It is the responsibility of the property owner to verify the property lines are correct by means of either locating property lot pins or having a legal survey completed at the owner’s expense.

4.3 Any fence placed outside of the owner’s property may be required to be moved or taken down at the owner’s expense.

4.4 Prior to any fence being erected, the property owner must receive a Building Permit from the Town of Midale in accordance with the current Building Bylaw, and follow all regulations specified on the building permit.

**5.0 Variance**

5.1 Any variance from any of the provisions set out in this policy must be approved by Council before any building permit may be issued.

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