



## City of St. John's Corporate and Operational Policy

**Policy:** 08-02-06 Fencing Public Property

**Status:**

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### **Purpose**

Interpretation of a Council policy concerning the fencing of public open space and rights-of-way, as it applies to the Department of Engineering and Department of Public Works.

### **Policy Statement**

1. Council has adopted a policy that the City will not fence public open space nor rights-of-way. If the owner of abutting property requires that a fence be erected, then he is entitled (subject to applicable by-laws and regulations) to fence his own property, and is responsible for that himself.
2. Being intended to apply primarily to public open space, and the rights-of-way associated with them, this policy is deemed to impact most directly upon the policies of the Department of Parks and Recreation.
3. The subject Council policy is not deemed to affect present policies and practices of the Department of Engineering and Department of Public Works with respect to fences and similar structures erected in areas, or for reasons, consistent with the objectives and functions of the Department. It shall not be deemed to preclude the erection, maintenance or replacement of any fence, barrier, railing or barricade required for reasons such as safety, security of City property, traffic control, snow drifting, or reinstatement of private property in consequence of damage by the

City.

**Application**

**Responsibilities**

Department of Public Works and Parks, Department of Recreation.

**Definitions**

**References/Appendix**

**Monitoring and Contravention**

**Approvals**

Department of Engineering and Works Policy Manual, Item 1001. Approved by Director, March 22, 1991.  
Never formally approved by Council.

**Review Period**

**Available to Public**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No