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What fences, gates and removal cost per linear foot in published Ontario installer pricing, and what shows up in a fence quote

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Q1

Fence quote in Nepean says "plus disposal", what to expect?

"Plus disposal" means the quote you received covers the fence installation but prices the removal and hauling of your old fence separately. That line item is worth understanding before you sign.

Published Ontario installer pricing puts old-fence removal and disposal at roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and posts set in concrete sit at the higher end of that spread because pulling a concrete footing takes more time and effort than pulling a bare post. The figure you were quoted may fall anywhere in that range or outside it depending on how much old fence there is, how the posts were set, and what the material is.

A few things that show up in a disposal line on a fence quote:

- the length of the run being torn out
- whether posts are set in concrete (concrete adds to the pull-out work)
- the number and size of gates being removed
- whether the material needs to go to a disposal facility

The City of Ottawa's Trail Waste Facility charges a minimum of $43.20 for loads under 250 kg, and $172.70 per tonne above that threshold, based on actual weight. That is the residential rate; the facility does not accept commercial loads. An installer hauling your old fence as part of a job will factor that cost into the disposal line. If the quote does not specify what "disposal" covers, ask whether it includes the full tear-out, the post pulling, the hauling and the drop-off fee, or whether any of those are priced separately.
Also confirm who is responsible for requesting the locate before post holes are dug. Under the Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act, no one may dig before a locate request is made and answered. Ontario Dig Authority asks for the request at least 5 business days before the dig, and each utility sends its own locator. Ask the installer to confirm in writing that they will handle the locate for the new installation.

After the job is done, keep the written contract and the itemized quote together, the locate confirmation showing the request was submitted and answered, and photos taken along the fence line showing where it sits on the property.

Q2

What's included in a $4,000 fence quote in Kanata?

A quote for a residential fence in Kanata may sit within the published range for several common materials, but what that figure actually covers depends entirely on what the installer has written into it.

Published 2025-26 Ontario installer prices run roughly $30 to $65 per linear foot for pressure-treated wood, $45 to $85 for cedar, and $45 to $90 for vinyl, all installed. A pedestrian gate is priced separately, around $500 to $1,500, and a driveway gate around $800 to $2,200. Pulling out an old fence and disposing of it adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot on top, and posts set in concrete cost more to extract than those that are not.

A written quote for a job this size should break out each of these items so you can see exactly what the figure you were quoted covers:

- material and style (species, board profile, rail count, height)
- total linear footage and number of gates, each as its own line
- post method, including whether concrete is included
- removal and disposal of any existing fence
- who submits the locate request to Ontario Dig Authority before digging starts (the Act requires a locate request; Ontario Dig Authority asks for it at least 5 business days ahead)
- a written warranty on materials and workmanship

A few Ottawa-specific items can affect whether the work is straightforward. The Fence By-law, as published on ottawa.ca, requires the finished side to face the street and neighbouring properties. If any part of your run is along a street, the driveway triangle rule applies: no fence over 75 cm within a triangle measured 2 m along the lot line and 2 m along the driveway edge. If you are on a corner lot, there is also a zoning sight triangle, 6 m along each street lot line, within which solid obstructions cannot exceed 0.75 m, though a see-through fence is not counted as an obstruction under Zoning By-law 2008-250. The Fence By-law's own 3 m corner triangle applies to any fence regardless of whether it is see-through.
Before the work starts, confirm with a surveyor or your deed where the property line sits; geoOttawa shows approximate lines only, and a fence contractor cannot certify the boundary. The City's guide says to check for easements in your title documents and not to block them.

The most useful question to put to the installer before you sign is this: ask them to walk you through the quote line by line and point out exactly where the fence will sit relative to your property line, because that single detail determines whether the job goes smoothly or creates a problem with your neighbour or the City later.

Q3

Ballpark for fencing a corner lot backyard in Hunt Club?

For a corner-lot backyard in Hunt Club, start with the published per-foot ranges, then the corner layout rules. Published Ontario installer pricing for 2025–26 runs roughly $30 to $65 per linear foot for pressure-treated wood, $45 to $85 for cedar, $45 to $90 for vinyl, and $55 to $95 or more for composite. A pedestrian gate adds about $500 to $1,500 on top of the fence price, and a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200. If there is an old fence to pull out, add roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, more where posts are set in concrete.

The things that move the number around in a quote: the material and style you choose, the total length of the run, the number and size of gates, whether old fencing needs to come out, and what the ground is like where the posts go. Ask each installer to break those out as separate line items so you can compare quotes directly.

On a corner lot, two sight-triangle rules apply and they are different. The Fence By-law, as published on ottawa.ca, says no fence over 75 cm within a triangle formed by measuring 3 m along each lot line from the corner, and the same 75 cm limit within a triangle measured 2 m along the lot line and the driveway edge where your driveway meets the street. Separately, Ottawa's Zoning By-laws (2026-50 and 2008-250) say no solid obstruction over 0.75 m within a triangle measured 6 m along each street lot line from the corner; a see-through fence is not counted as an obstruction under that rule, though any chain link on a residential lot must still be vinyl or powder coated under the Fence By-law. Confirm the exact layout of both triangles with the City before the fence is laid out.

The finished side of the fence must face the street and neighbouring properties.

A fair written quote for this job should spell out the material, the height, the total linear footage, each gate as its own line, removal and disposal of any existing fence, and the post method.

Ask the installer to mark both triangles on the layout that comes with the quote, so you can see which runs are kept low near the corner.

Q4

Is composite fencing worth the higher price in Riverside South?

Composite fencing runs about $55 to $95 or more per linear foot installed, based on published 2025-26 Ontario installer pricing. That is above pressure-treated wood at $30 to $65 and cedar at $45 to $85, so the gap is real and worth thinking through before you commit.

Whether that gap makes sense for your property comes down to what you are comparing and what the quote actually includes. Composite panels vary in thickness, surface texture and how the frame is built, so two composite quotes at different prices may not be describing the same product. Ask each installer to specify the panel construction, the post material and spacing, and the fastening system, so you are comparing the same fence. The Fence By-law, as published on ottawa.ca, requires every fence other than cedar, redwood or treated wood to be protected by paint, preservatives or another weather-resistant material, and the finished side must face the street and neighbouring properties. Ask the installer how the product you are being quoted meets that requirement.

The Fence By-law also requires any fence to be stable, vertical, of good-quality materials suitable for the purpose, kept in good repair, safe and free from accident hazards. That applies to composite the same as any other material. We found no government or association figure for how long composite holds up compared to wood, so any lifespan claim in a sales conversation is the installer's own position, not a published standard. Ask for it in writing.

A few things that affect the composite price on a specific Riverside South lot:

- length of the run and number of corners
- gate count and size (pedestrian gates add about $500 to $1,500 each; driveway gates about $800 to $2,200)
- removal and disposal of an existing fence, roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, more if posts are set in concrete
- ground conditions along the fence line

The request form on this page forwards your project to fence installers listed in the Ottawa Construction Network directory.
The question that settles it for your yard: which composite product, by name, each quote is for, and what its maker says in writing about finish and care.

Q5

Does removing my old fence add much to an Alta Vista quote?

Removing an old fence adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot to a quote, based on published 2025–26 Ontario installer pricing. Published installer pages say posts set in concrete cost more to pull, which is one reason the spread is wide.

Ask for removal as its own line item, and ask specifically whether the removal price assumes concrete footings, and what happens to the price if they find concrete when they expected none.

The length of the run matters too. Ask whether disposal is included in the removal price or quoted separately. If you are handling disposal yourself, the City of Ottawa's Trail Waste Facility charges a minimum of $43.20 for loads under 250 kg, and $172.70 per tonne above that threshold, based on actual weight.

On the new fence side, the things that move the number are material and style, the total length, the number and size of gates, and the condition of the ground where posts go in. Gates are priced on top of the fence line: a walk gate runs about $500 to $1,500 and a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200 in published 2025–26 prices.

A written quote that breaks removal, disposal, new materials, post method, and gates into separate lines is the clearest way to compare what two installers are actually offering. The form on this page sends your project details to local Ottawa fence installers who can come out and give you that breakdown in writing.

Q6

Driveway gate on my Ottawa fence: what does it add to the quote?

A driveway gate adds about $800 to $2,200 to a fence quote in published Ontario installer pricing, and a walk gate about $500 to $1,500, on top of the per-linear-foot fence price. Those ranges cover materials and installation.

Ask the installer to put the width of the opening, the gate material, the hinges and latch, and how the gate posts are set and how deep in the quote, with the gate priced as its own line. If the gate material differs from the fence, ask about it explicitly.

The Fence By-law, as published on ottawa.ca, has a specific rule for gates. In a side or rear yard, a gate may exceed the 213 cm fence height limit by up to 30 cm. That allowance does not apply in a front yard. Where a driveway meets the street, every lot, not just corner lots, has a visibility triangle: no fence or gate over 75 cm within a triangle measured 2 m along the lot line and 2 m along the driveway edge from where they meet. No fence or gate may stand on City property, including the road allowance.

Ask the City first if you are unsure whether the gate sits in the front yard or a side yard, because that decides whether the 1 m limit or the side-yard allowance applies.

Q7

Budgeting for a new wood fence around a Stittsville backyard?

For a wood privacy fence in a Stittsville backyard, published Ontario installer pricing for 2025–26 puts pressure-treated wood at about $30 to $65 per linear foot installed, and cedar at about $45 to $85 per linear foot. As a rough sense of scale, a 100-foot run of wood privacy fence comes in somewhere between $3,000 and $7,500 depending on the material and style, though your actual quote will reflect the specifics of your yard.

Several things feed into where your price lands within those ranges. The length of the run is the starting point, but the number and size of gates matter too: a walk gate adds about $500 to $1,500 and a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200, each priced on top of the fence line. If there is an existing fence to remove, budget roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot for that work, and more if the posts are set in concrete. The condition of the ground, the height you want, and the board style all affect the final number as well.

The by-law also requires that the finished side of the fence face the neighbouring properties. Cedar, redwood and treated wood are not required to have a protective coating under the by-law, but every other wood fence must be protected by paint, preservatives or another weather-resistant material.

No building permit is needed for a residential fence that does not enclose a pool.

A written quote for this job should break out the fence line, each gate as its own item, removal and disposal of any existing fence, and the post method. Get any warranty in writing.

With two itemized quotes in hand, compare the fence line, the gates and the removal line by line rather than the totals.

Q8

My quote says $9,000 for a backyard fence in Orleans, too high?

Whether the figure you were quoted is high depends almost entirely on what is included: the material, the total length of the run, how many gates, whether an old fence needs to come out, and what the ground is like. Without those details, the number alone does not tell you much.

Published 2025-26 Ontario installer pricing gives these installed ranges per linear foot, materials and labour together:

- Pressure-treated wood: about $30 to $65

- Cedar: about $45 to $85
- Vinyl: about $45 to $90, more for premium styles
- Composite: about $55 to $95 or more
- Coated chain link: roughly $15 to $50

A 100-foot wood privacy fence, as a published example, runs roughly $3,000 to $7,500 installed. If the figure you were quoted covers more than 100 feet, or includes gate work, removal of an existing fence, or posts set in concrete, the total rises with each. Gates are priced on top of the fence run: a walk gate is about $500 to $1,500, a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200. Pulling out old posts set in concrete adds to removal costs, which published prices put at roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot on their own.
A written quote should break out the length of the run, the material and style, the height, each gate as its own line item, removal and disposal if that is included, and the post method. Ask what warranty is offered and get it in writing, because a verbal promise is harder to rely on later.

The most useful thing to do right now is get a second written quote that itemises the same scope, so you can compare line by line rather than total to total. The request form on this site sends your project details to local fence installers listed in the Ottawa Construction Network directory.

Q9

Is $60 a foot fair for a pressure-treated fence in Ottawa?

For a pressure-treated wood fence, about $30 to $65 per linear foot installed is the range in published Ontario installer pricing. The figure you were quoted sits at the upper end of that published range, so it is not outside it, but it is worth understanding what should be included at that price before you agree to it.

Several things in the quote affect where a price lands within that spread. The height of the fence matters. The number of gates is priced separately, and a pedestrian gate adds roughly $500 to $1,500 on top of the fence line; a driveway gate adds more. If there is an old fence to pull out, removal and disposal runs roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and posts set in concrete cost more to pull. The condition of the ground, the total length of the run, and the style of the fence (privacy board, shadowbox, picket) all appear in a fair quote.

A written quote at this price should spell out the height and style, the total linear footage, the number and size of gates as separate line items, whether removal of an existing fence is included, how the posts are set and how deep the holes go. Ask for the warranty in writing; a verbal promise is harder to act on later.

Under the Consumer Protection Act, 2002, a written direct agreement gives you 10 days to cancel after you receive it, and a supplier cannot charge more than 10 per cent above a written estimate. The Construction Act requires you to hold back 10 per cent of the price as work is supplied; ask a lawyer about when it is safe to release that amount on a larger job.

A second written quote from another installer is the clearest way to judge whether the figure you were quoted reflects what this particular job involves, and the Ottawa Construction Network directory has local installers you can reach through the request form on this page.

Before anything else, confirm with the installer exactly what the per-foot price includes and excludes in writing, because two quotes at the same number can cover very different scopes.

Q10

What does a 6-foot board fence cost for a Westboro lot?

A 6-foot board fence is within the City of Ottawa Fence By-law's 213 cm (about 7 feet) limit for side and rear yards; in a front yard the limit is 1 m. Published 2025-26 Ontario installer pricing for pressure-treated wood runs about $30 to $65 per linear foot installed, and for cedar about $45 to $85 per linear foot. As a published example, two Ontario installer pages put a 100-foot, 6-foot wood privacy fence at roughly $3,000 to $7,500.

Several things move the number on any specific Westboro job. The quote should break out each of these separately so you can compare bids clearly:

- length of the run and number of corners
- gates, priced on their own (a walk gate adds about $500 to $1,500; a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200)
- removal and disposal of an existing fence, roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, more where posts are set in concrete
- post method and depth, which the installer sets based on local conditions
- ground conditions along the run

The Fence By-law (No. 2003-462, as published on ottawa.ca) requires that the finished side face the street and neighbouring properties. Cedar, redwood and treated wood are excepted from the coating rule that applies to other fence materials.
When you have quotes in hand, ask each installer to show you exactly what the post-removal line covers and whether it assumes posts set in concrete.

Q11

What goes into the price of a chain link fence in Gloucester?

Published 2025–26 Ontario installer pricing puts coated chain link at roughly $15 to $50 per linear foot, installed, with coating adding a few dollars per foot to the lower end of that spread. The spread is wide, so it helps to know what to ask for before you get a quote.

The gauge of the wire and the mesh opening size both affect the material cost, and so does the height of the fence. Ask what height the quote assumes. Post spacing, the number of corner and end posts, and whether the ground is level or slopes across the run all change the amount of work involved. Each gate is priced separately from the fence itself: a pedestrian gate runs about $500 to $1,500 and a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200, on top of the

per-foot fence price.

Under the City of Ottawa Fence By-law, No. 2003-462, as published on ottawa.ca, every chain link fence on residential property must be vinyl or powder coated. The finished side of the fence must face the public street and any neighbouring properties. If you are replacing an old fence, removal and disposal adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and posts set in concrete cost more to pull.

When you have two written quotes in front of you, set them side by side and check that each one specifies the same height and coating type, covers the same linear footage, describes the post method and depth, lists every gate as its own line item, and spells out what removal and disposal of the old fence will cost.

Q12

Why do two Nepean fence quotes differ by thousands?

Two quotes for the same Nepean fence can differ by several thousand dollars; the first thing to check is whether they include the same things.

The things that show up differently across quotes:

- Material and style. Published 2025-26 Ontario installer prices for a pressure-treated wood fence run about $30 to $65 per linear foot installed; cedar runs about $45 to $85; vinyl about $45 to $90; composite about $55 to $95 or more. If one quote is for pressure-treated and the other is for cedar, the per-foot ranges alone differ.
- Removal of the old fence. Pulling and disposing of an existing fence adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and posts set in concrete cost more to extract. One quote may include this; the other may not.
- Gates. A pedestrian gate adds about $500 to $1,500 on top of the fence price; a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200. If one quote prices the gate separately and the other buries it, the totals look very different.
- Post method. How deep the holes go and whether concrete is used affects both labour and material cost. Ask each installer to state the post method and depth in writing so you are comparing the same work.
- Ground conditions. Rocky soil, tree roots or a slope all change the labour involved. Ask each installer whether the quote assumes flat, clear ground and what happens if it is not.

One more thing to check: the City of Ottawa Fence By-law, No. 2003-462, requires that the finished side of the fence face the street and neighbouring properties, and that every fence except cedar, redwood or treated wood be protected by paint, preservatives or another weather-resistant material. If the two quotes use different materials, ask each installer what upkeep the material needs. Residential chain link must be vinyl or powder coated under the same by-law.

Under the Construction Act, you are required to hold back 10 per cent of the price as work is supplied; ask a lawyer about when it is safe to release that amount on a larger job. The Consumer Protection Act, 2002 gives you 10 days to cancel a direct agreement after receiving the written copy, and a supplier cannot charge more than 10 per cent above a written estimate.

The single most useful question to put to each installer in writing: what exactly does this price include, and what would cause it to change once work starts?

Q13

Fair price for 120 feet of vinyl fence in Barrhaven?

Published 2025–26 Ontario installer pricing puts vinyl fence at about $45 to $90 per linear foot, installed, with premium styles running higher. Multiply the length of your run by that per-foot range for a first check, before gates and other extras; where a quote lands depends on what it includes.

Several things move a vinyl quote up or down within that range. The style and the post method both matter, so ask for both to be written into the quote. Gates are priced separately from the fence run, so a quote that buries a gate in the per-foot price is harder to compare. If there is an old fence to pull out, removal and disposal adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and published installer pages say posts set in concrete cost more to pull. The condition of the ground along the run is something to ask the installer about directly.

A fair written quote for a vinyl job of that length should break out at least these items separately: the fence run with the style and height specified, each gate as its own line with its dimensions, removal and disposal of any existing fence if that applies, and the post method.

Under the City of Ottawa Fence By-law, as published on ottawa.ca, a vinyl fence must have its finished side facing the street and neighbouring properties. The by-law also requires that every fence, including vinyl, be protected by paint, preservatives or another weather-resistant material, so ask the installer what the warranty covers and get that in writing.

After the job is done, keep the signed contract, the itemized quote and photos of the finished fence.

Q14

How much does a cedar privacy fence cost per foot in Kanata?

A cedar privacy fence in Kanata comes to about $45 to $85 per linear foot installed, materials and labour, in published Ontario installer pricing. Your actual quote will depend on the specifics of the job.

Several things move a cedar quote up or down within that spread. The height matters. The number and size of gates are priced separately, with a walk gate running roughly $500 to $1,500 and a driveway gate roughly $800 to $2,200 on top of the fence line. If there is an old fence to pull out, removal and disposal adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, and posts set in concrete cost more to pull. The condition of the ground and the length of the run also show up in quotes.

The Fence By-law (No. 2003-462, as published on ottawa.ca) requires that the finished side of a cedar fence face the street and neighbouring properties. Cedar, redwood and treated wood are the materials excepted from the by-law's requirement to protect a fence with paint, preservatives or another weather-resistant coating, so bare cedar is permitted.

A fair written quote for a cedar fence should itemize the fence run by length and height, gates as their own line, post method, removal of any existing fence, and disposal.

Once the job is done, keep the signed contract, the itemized quote and photos of the finished fence.

Q15

Will fencing my whole Stittsville yard cost over $10,000?

Whether your budget covers a full Stittsville yard depends on how many linear feet of fence you need and what material you choose. Based on published Ontario installer pricing for 2025-26, pressure-treated wood runs about $30 to $65 per linear foot installed, cedar about $45 to $85, vinyl about $45 to $90, and coated chain link roughly $15 to $50. For a sense of scale, two Ontario installer price pages put a 100-foot, 6-foot wood privacy fence at roughly $3,000 to $7,500; measure your own run and multiply by the per-foot range for your material.

The things that move the number on a full-yard job are the total length of the run, the material and style you pick, the number and size of gates, whether an old fence needs to come out first, and how the posts are set. Removing an old fence adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, more if posts are set in concrete. A pedestrian gate adds about $500 to $1,500 on top of the fence price, and a driveway gate about $800 to $2,200. Ask each installer to break those out as separate line items so you can compare quotes cleanly.

A few Ottawa rules shape what gets built. The finished side of the fence must face the street and neighbouring properties. Residential chain link must be vinyl or powder coated. No building permit is needed for a fence that does not enclose a pool.

For a full-yard quote, ask each installer to give you a written breakdown showing the price per linear foot, the gate prices as separate figures, the removal and disposal cost if there is an old fence, and the post method, so you know exactly what you are comparing against your budget.

Measure each side of the yard before you call anyone, so every installer quotes the same number of feet.

Q16

Fence site visit fee in Ottawa, normal or not?

We found too few published prices to say what an Ottawa fence site visit costs, and no rule in the Fence By-law or the Consumer Protection Act, 2002 that sets or caps one.

If an installer charges for a visit, ask before you book it what the visit includes (measuring the run, checking the grade, a written quote) and whether the fee is credited against the job if you hire them.

A few things worth knowing before that visit happens. The Consumer Protection Act, 2002 says that any direct agreement made somewhere other than the supplier's place of business and worth more than $50 must be in writing and delivered to you; you then have 10 days to cancel without any reason. If the agreement includes an estimate, the supplier cannot charge more than 10 per cent above it. Ask for the site visit fee, and any subsequent quote, in writing before work begins.

If you are on a corner lot or your driveway meets the street, mention that during the visit. Ask the installer to show you where those limits fall on your property.

You can request a match with local fence installers through the form on this page; they are listed in the Ottawa Construction Network directory.

Get the site visit fee, and whether it is credited against the job, written into the quote before the visit is booked.

Q17

How much is a cedar fence for an Orleans side yard?

Cedar fence installation in Orleans runs about $45 to $85 per linear foot, installed, based on published 2025–26 Ontario installer pricing. That range covers materials and labour, before gates, removal and other extras.

What moves the price within that range: the height you choose, the style (privacy boards, picket, board-on-board), the number and size of gates, whether an old fence needs to come out first, and how the posts are set. Removal and disposal of an old fence adds roughly $5 to $15 per linear foot, more if the posts are set in concrete. A walk gate is priced separately, around $500 to $1,500; a driveway gate, around $800 to $2,200.

A few Orleans-specific things to sort out before the work starts. Height is measured from the grade at the base of the fence on whichever side the ground is higher; a berm does not raise the limit. If your lot is on a corner, confirm the layout with the City before the installer marks anything out.

Cedar is excepted from the Fence By-law's coating requirement, so no paint or preservative is required by the by-law. The finished side of the fence must face the street and neighbouring properties (s.15).

A fair written quote for a cedar side-yard fence should break out the fence run, gate pricing, post method, and removal of any existing fence. The form on this page forwards your details to fence installers listed in the Ottawa Construction Network directory.

Before you commit, ask the installer to write the post method and the depth the quote assumes on the quote itself.

Q18

Is $2,000 for a driveway gate too much in Gloucester?

Published Ontario installer pricing puts driveway gates at roughly $800 to $2,200 installed, so the figure you were quoted sits near the top of that range but inside it. Whether it is fair for your Gloucester job depends on what is included.

What a fair quote shows for a driveway gate is each item as its own line: the material and style, the width of the opening, how the gate posts are set and how deep, the hardware, and any removal of an old gate or fence section. Ask the installer to break those out so two quotes for the same opening can be compared item by item.

A few Gloucester-specific rules apply here. The driveway triangle in the City of Ottawa Fence By-law (No. 2003-462, s.4) limits any fence or gate to 75 cm within a triangle formed by measuring 2 m along the lot line and 2 m along the driveway edge where the driveway meets the street. In a front yard the limit is 1 m, gate included. If your driveway runs along a corner lot, the zoning by-law (2026-50, s.216 and 2008-250, s.57) also restricts solid obstructions over 0.75 m within a triangle measured 6 m along each street lot line from the corner; confirm the layout with the City if that applies to your property. No building permit is needed for a gate that does not enclose a pool.

Under the Consumer Protection Act, 2002, a written contract is required for work over $50 agreed to away from the contractor's place of business, and you have 10 days to cancel after receiving your copy. The contractor cannot charge more than 10 per cent above a written estimate.

The form on this page lets you send your job details to fence installers listed in the Ottawa Construction Network directory, so you can collect a second or third quote on the same scope.

Before you put a signature on anything, ask the installer to confirm in writing exactly what the gate width, material, post method and any removal work are, so you know exactly what the quoted price buys.

Disclaimer: This guide is provided for informational purposes only by Ottawa Fences. It does not constitute professional advice. Always consult qualified contractors and your local building authority (the City of Ottawa) before starting any fence project. Fences in Ottawa must meet the City's Fence By-law, and a free locate is required before digging any post hole. Information is current as of November 15, 2026 and may change. Visit **ottawafences.ca** for the latest answers.