



How to Talk to Your Neighbour about a New Fence

Homeowner Conversation Guide

BEFORE THE CONVERSATION:

- ☐ Have a general idea of where the fence will go
- ☐ Think about your priorities and preferences
- ☐ Note any shared concerns or access issues
- ☐ Keep an open mind — you don't need to have all the answers

Keep the conversation friendly, respectful and solution-focused. A good relationship with your neighbour is worth protecting.

01. Who should start the conversation?

Usually, the person planning the fence project should take the lead. A friendly, respectful conversation early in the process can help avoid misunderstandings and make it easier to find a solution that works for everyone.

02. When should you start the conversation?

Talk to your neighbour early — ideally before final decisions are made. This is especially helpful if the fence affects a shared boundary or you're considering sharing costs. Preferred Choice Fencing can help by showing product samples and answering questions about materials and the installation process.

03. How can everyone be satisfied?

Start by talking about what matters to each of you — privacy, appearance, maintenance, pets, security and budget may all influence your choices. Our Customer Resource Hub can help you explore the options, and an on-site consultation gives you the opportunity to see samples and ask questions. Some fencing options may even allow different colours or finishes on each side.

04. How do you discuss sharing costs?

Have an open conversation about budget, expectations and what each person is comfortable contributing. A site visit can help clarify the project and provide accurate pricing. If costs are being shared, putting the agreed details in writing can help prevent misunderstandings. PCF can also discuss whether separate quotes are appropriate for your project.

05. What if your neighbour has any concerns?

Listen first. Understanding what concerns them — appearance, privacy, property boundaries, access, cost or the installation process — may reveal a solution you haven't considered. Raising those concerns before the project begins gives everyone more opportunity to explore options. PCF is happy to help answer fencing and installation questions.

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Our Customer Resource Hub
is a great place to start.



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