

Black Mountain Ranch Owners Association
Fencing Guidelines
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Design your fence to provide wildlife free travel to important habitats and corridors, as well as access to water.

1. BMR landowners are encouraged to not install any perimeter fencing unless they are planning to enclose allowable livestock or if free ranging livestock is problematic to the landowner. If possible with livestock, a combination of smooth and barbed wire, or properly installed high-tensile electric fencing should be used.
2. Woven Wire, decorative Iron, chain link and wooden plank perimeter fencing is strictly prohibited except in specific areas where it is critical, such as calving or lambing pastures, haystacks, gardens, privacy areas, children's play areas, or kennels for examples.
3. No perimeter fencing should be over 42" high and no lower from the ground than 18". Double stranded barbless or single smooth wire should be installed as the top and the bottom wire. The top two wires should be a minimum of 12" apart. Posts should be a minimum of 12 feet apart. PVC piping or other visibility improving markers are encouraged for the top wire, especially in areas of high wildlife concentration or migration. Vertical stays are discouraged.
4. Post and Rail fencing can be used in place of wire fencing, but also should not be over 42" high and no lower from the ground than 18".
5. All landowners are expected to maintain existing fencing whether it meets the guidelines or not. Fencing that is down, bundled or has the potential of entangling wildlife should be removed or repaired.