City of Dallas Sidewalk Cafe Design Standards

LAYOUT AND DESIGN

- 1 Placement of cafe seating, enclosure and other amenites must continue to provide a minimum unobstructed sidewalk width of 5 feet or as specified in applicable zoning, whichever is greater.
- 2 The pedestrian path of travel provided by the cafe must be straight and not require turns that impair pedestrian circulation on the sidewalk, nor create a trip hazard.
- 3 Placement of furnishings or other separation devices or amenities must comply with visibility triangle requirements, must not obstruct barrier free ramps at intersections, nor impair stormwater drainage.
- 4 Table and other furnishings must maintian a minimum setback from the back of curb of 18 inches, except when on-street parallel parking is present, then minimum setback from the back of curb is 3 feet.
- 5 Umbrellas may not extend over vehicular travel ways or parking, and must maintain a mimimum vertical clearance of 7 feet over pedestrain travel way.
- 6 Cafe furnishings and enclosures may not obstruct emergency egress from building.







MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION

- 1 Fencing may not exceed 36 inches in height and must be constructed of durable finish materials [metal, glass, finished wood, removable stone or concrete planters].
- Chain and bollard fencing is prohibited as it poses a hazard to visually impaired pedestrians. Fencing must be detectible by cane through one or more of the following: toe rail with top edge 6-inch minimum in height and bottom edge no higher than 1.5 inches above sidewalk; landscaping or other elements detectable by cane spaced no more than 27 inches vertically and 24 inches horizontally, or elements sufficiently detectible by cane.
- 3 Tables, chairs, plantings and other furnishings must be removable. Upon removal of sidewalk cafes and furnishings, sidewalk must be returned to original or better conditions.





