

# **STANDARD 8: PATIO BLOCK WALLS**

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# 1.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

# SEE STANDARD SECTION 1: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 2.0 APPLICATIONS

- **2.1** All walls shall be of slumpstone block 4x4x16, 4x6x16, or 6x6x16 slumpstone or block to match existing wall.
- **2.2** Block will be painted in conformance with the Mutual's policy on exterior paint colors. Excess mortar will be removed. Weep holes of the proper size and location shall be provided as needed.

## 3.0 PREPARATIONS

- **3.1** In each case, the site will be inspected by the Alterations Division prior to work for adjustments pertaining to this section.
- **3.2** No block walls will be allowed that will hinder yard drainage.
- **3.3** No block walls will be allowed in areas where access for maintenance is required.
- **3.4** In no case will a block wall or its related components cover sprinklers, sprinkler lines, or other related items.
- **3.5** No block wall will be allowed that may encroach upon a view of a neighboring manor as determined by the Alterations Division.

## 3.6 No block walls will be permitted in Common Area

## 4.0 APPLICATIONS

**4.1** No wall shall be over 5 feet in or under 12 inches in height. Existing patio block walls may be raised or lowered in accordance with these dimensions and the location as determined by the Alterations Division.

- **4.2** Gates constructed in accordance with Mutual Standard 17: Patio Gates and Courtyard Doors may be incorporated into a block wall as approved by the Alterations Division.
- **4.3** Gaps between patio block walls may be filled in with materials that are in accordance with Mutual Standard 16: Fences, Wrought Iron and Mutual Standard 17: Patio Gates and Courtyard Doors to match any existing gate.
- **4.4** Wrought iron fencing constructed in accordance with Mutual Standard 16: Fences, Wrought Iron may be incorporated on a block wall as approved by the Alterations Division.
- **4.5** Walls may be covered with stucco to match the building. The stucco finish must match the existing texture and color. Grout lines must be flush with existing block prior to stucco application. Brick or tile caps may be permitted.
- **4.6** All walls shall be constructed within the approved patio dimensions. Patio slabs shall not be extended without written approval of the Board. All walls shall be constructed on engineered footings. Planting areas between the wall and slab are acceptable. Maintenance of these planter areas shall become the sole responsibility of the Mutual member.
- **4.7** Lattice or bamboo panels are not allowed on block walls.

#### 5.0 SPRINKLER REVISIONS

- **5.1** Sprinklers will be revised only by the Mutual's designated Landscape crew; the cost of such revisions shall be borne by the Mutual Member.
- **5.2** No sprinklers will be placed inside any patio area by the Mutual's designated Landscape crews, and any systems added shall not be connected to the Mutual-owned system.

## 6.0 OPENINGS IN WOOD FRAMED PATIO WALLS

- **6.1** The size of openings is optional and must be approved by the Alterations Division.
- **6.2** Openings must be located such as to maintain symmetry along the patio wall. The top of an opening shall be in line with the top of the windows of the manor. The first opening shall set a size and location precedent for any future openings on patio walls on the same side of the building.
- **6.3** The finished openings must match the existing finish on the patio wall. Wood finish trim or brick veneer is not allowed.
- **6.4** Neighbor Awareness Forms may be required as determined by the Alterations Division.