All bike racks installed in the City of Bakersfield need to be selected and installed in a manner that will enhance convenience and maximize security. Listed below are the basic parameters that should be used when selecting and purchasing bike racks:

- An acceptable bike rack must have at least two points of contact to support a bike upright.
- Bike rack designs must incorporate elements that will allow for the locking of the frame and at least one wheel of a bike with any kind of lock, especially high security “u-locks.”
- A rack must be securely anchored to the ground and not easily removed. It must resist being cut or detached using common hand tools such as bolt cutters, pipe cutters, wrenches, and pry bars (i.e. tools that can be easily concealed in a backpack).
- Under normal use a rack must be resistant to rusting, bending or deformation.
- Bike rack designs with the potential for scraping the paint on a bike when parked will not be approved (i.e. sharp edges, points, etc.).
- The following diagrams will be used as the basis for approving acceptable bicycle racks and parking areas. However, alternative rack designs and parking layout may be approved by the Building Director provided they are consistent with the intent of these guidelines.

(Note: In calculating the required bicycle parking spaces, an acceptable rack as shown above is considered a 2-bike capacity rack.)