



Town of Newfields Mailbox Requirements

Required location of mailboxes or newspaper delivery boxes as follows:

1. Should be on right side of road in direction of delivery travel.
2. Servicing vehicle should be removed from roadway.
3. Mailbox face should be no closer than edge of shoulder (4' from edge of roadway).
4. Mailbox should not block sight distance.
5. Mailbox should be mounted 3 1/2 to 4' above mail stop surface.

The Town of Newfields will make efforts to avoid damaging your mailbox during snow removal and or road maintenance. Following these guidelines will reduce the likelihood of mailbox damage.

Each year, 70 to 100 people are killed in accidents involving rural mailboxes. Many accident victims who are not killed are often blinded and disfigured for life because mailboxes and their supports penetrate the windshield and hit the victim in the face.

Mailbox owners are limited only by their imagination. Steel tractor wheels, water pumps, milk cans filled with concrete, chains and massive I-beams are just a few devices used to support mailboxes. Although such supports may be artistic, most are serious roadside hazards to motorists.

For more information on erecting mailboxes, a single copy of the AASHTO publication, *A Guide for Erecting Mailboxes*, may be purchased (prepaid) for \$4.00 plus \$1.25 for postage and handling by writing to:

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