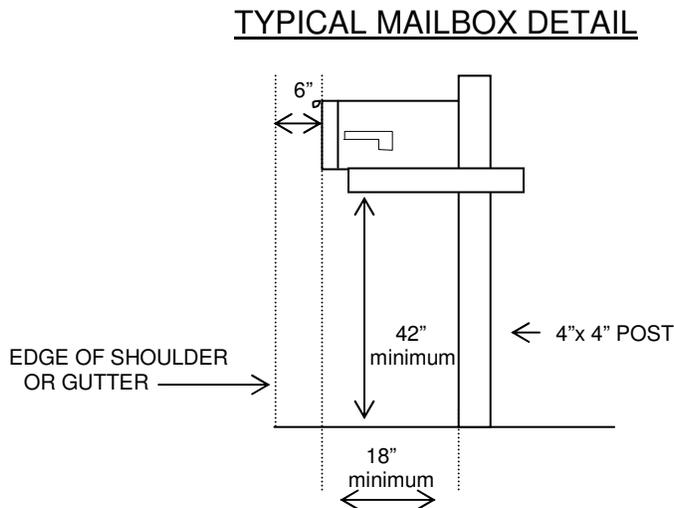


Town of Perinton Mailbox Replacement Policy

The Town of Perinton will replace your mailbox and/or post that are damaged by Town equipment during trash pickup, road maintenance, or snow plowing operations. The replacement will consist of a pressure treated 4" x 4" post with cross arm, and a black metal mailbox. The Town of Perinton does not reimburse property owners for custom mailboxes.

The following detail provides guidelines to be used in determining the proper distance and height requirements for mailbox installation. Please note that the minimum height from the lowest part of the mailbox post to the ground should be 42 inches or greater.



MAILBOX SUPPORTS

Supports for mailboxes should be of adequate strength and size to support the box properly. However, customers should avoid the use of massive mailbox supports that, when struck, could damage vehicles and cause serious injury to vehicle occupants. Heavy metal posts, concrete posts, and miscellaneous items of farm equipment, such as milk cans filled with concrete, are examples of potentially dangerous supports. The ideal support is an assembly that bends or falls away from a striking vehicle. DOMESTIC MAIL MANUAL (DMM) sections 156.531, 156.54, 157.32c, and 157.4 include postal regulations regarding the construction and placement of mailboxes and supports on rural and highway contract routes.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHA) has determined that mailbox supports no larger than 4 inches by 4 inches, a 4 ½" diameter wood post, or a 2" diameter standard steel or aluminum pipe buried no more than 24 inches, should safely breakaway if struck by a vehicle. The mailbox must also be securely attached to its post to prevent separation when struck.

The average winter snowfall for the greater Rochester area is 92.3". This requires repeated plow runs over a +/- 5 month period to provide drivable roads. Although plow truck drivers are well trained and use caution when operating the large vehicles, it is inevitable that damage will occur to mailboxes. Property owners must realize that extravagant and expensive mailbox installations are installed at their own risk.