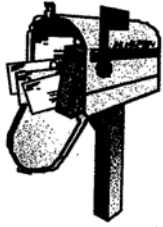


RURAL MAILBOXES



The following information is extracted from the pamphlet “Rural Mail Delivery”, published by Canada Post, available at your local Post Office.

Who looks after the mail box?

The boxholder is responsible for ensuring that snow and garbage, as well as parked vehicles and other obstructions do not block access to the mail box.

The boxholder must also ensure that the box and post are in good repair. Your mail box must be cleared of all items regularly to allow easy servicing by the contractor.

What kind of box do I need?

When choosing a Rural Mail Box be sure it is sufficiently sturdy to bear the weight of its contents without distortion and sufficiently weatherproof for the challenges of the Canadian climate.

Where does the box go?

The post (for a rural mailbox) should be at the rounding of the shoulder area so that the opening of the mail box is at the outside edge of the shoulder.

How do these requirements affect County of Brant snowplowing of rural roads?

Due to the requirements of Canada Post, the location of rural mailboxes may interfere with the clearance of snow from the shoulder area of the roadway by County of Brant snowplows

The snowplow operators clear the snow as far back as is feasible, any remaining snow is to be cleared by the boxholder.

Damage to a mailbox

Should a mailbox be damaged by snow or ice being cleared by a snowplow, it will be the responsibility of the boxholder to repair/replace the mailbox. As per Canada Post guidelines, the boxholder is to “ensure that the box and post are in good repair” and the mailbox is to be “sufficiently weatherproof for the challenges of the Canadian climate”.

Should a mailbox be damaged by physical contact with a snowplow, the County of Brant will assess the damage, and if appropriate, repair or replace the mailbox.

Please contact Public Works at 519-449-2451 or publicworks@brant.ca to report damage to your mailbox caused by physical contact with a snowplow.