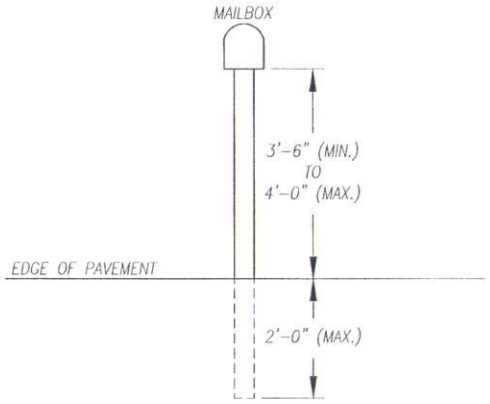


PLAN VIEW



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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF MAILBOXES

ALL MAILBOX UNITS, ATTACHMENTS, DECALS, SUPPORTS AND INSTALLATION THEREOF ARE TO BE IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH UNITED STATES POSTAL REGULATIONS AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS AND STANDARD DRAWINGS.

1. THE MAILBOX UNIT SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED ENTIRELY OF PLASTIC AND/OR LIGHTWEIGHT GALVANIZED STEEL ATTACHED TO THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE (POST) WITH SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO PREVENT THE BOX FROM SEPARATING FROM THE POST IF STRUCK BY A VEHICLE.

2. THE SUPPORT STRUCTURE (POST) SHALL BE EITHER A WOODEN POST (NO LARGER THAN 4 IN. X 4 IN. SQUARE OR 4 IN. DIAMETER ROUND) OR A METAL POST WITH A STRENGTH NO GREATER THAN A 2 IN. DIAMETER STANDARD STRENGTH STEEL PIPE (WITH A WEIGHT NOT IN EXCESS OF 2.6 LBS. PER FOOT). NO SUPPORT STRUCTURE SHALL BE EMBEDDED MORE THAN 24 INCHES INTO THE GROUND. A METAL POST SHALL NOT BE FITTED WITH AN ANCHOR PLATE, BUT IT MAY HAVE AN ANTI-TWIST DEVICE THAT EXTENDS NO MORE THAN 10 INCHES BELOW THE GROUND SURFACE. MAILBOX SUPPORTS SHALL NOT BE SET IN CONCRETE.

3. THE UNIT SHALL BE PLACED AT AN OFFSET FROM THE EDGE OF THE PAVEMENT SO THAT THE ROADSIDE FACE OF THE MAILBOX IS NO CLOSER THAN 3 FEET FROM THE EDGE OF THE PAVEMENT. WHEN A MAILBOX IS INSTALLED IN THE VICINITY OF AN EXISTING GUARDRAIL, IT SHALL BE PLACED BEHIND THE GUARDRAIL UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY THE ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER.

4. MULTIPLE MAILBOX UNITS OF MORE THAN TWO BOXES SHALL NOT BE MOUNTED ON ONE SUPPORT. HOWEVER, LIGHTWEIGHT NEWSPAPER BOXES MAY BE MOUNTED BELOW THE MAILBOX ON THE SIDE OF THE MAILBOX SUPPORT. MULTIPLE POSTS SHALL BE PLACED NO LESS THAN 3 FEET APART.

5. DESIGNS NOT DESCRIBED ON THIS STANDARD DRAWING WILL BE ACCEPTABLE ONLY IF WRITTEN APPROVAL IS GRANTED BY THE ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

6. THE OWNER SHALL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND SHALL HOLD ALLEN COUNTY HARMLESS AND DEFEND ANY AND ALL CLAIMS FOR PERSONAL INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGES THAT MIGHT BE BROUGHT AS A RESULT OF THIS WORK.

7. MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THIS INSTALLATION ARE FOREVER THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY OWNER.

NOTES:

IT IS THE DUTY OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PROVIDE THE SAFEST POSSIBLE HIGHWAY SYSTEM FOR THE TRAVELING PUBLIC OF ALLEN COUNTY. SECTION 5547 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE PROVIDES FOR THE REMOVAL OF OBSTRUCTIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM RIGHTS-OF-WAY. THESE STANDARDS ARE BASED ON THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION'S STANDARDS FOR RURAL MAILBOXES. MAILBOXES NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THESE STANDARDS ARE A SAFETY HAZARD AND AN OBSTRUCTION TO THE SAFE USE OF THE HIGHWAY AND SHOULD BE REMOVED.

IF A SNOWPLOW ACTUALLY HITS A MAILBOX, THE MAILBOX WILL BE REPLACED WITH A STANDARD METAL BOX AND WOOD POST BY ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER PERSONNEL.

IF THE MAILBOX IS DAMAGED DUE TO FLYING SNOW, ICE OR SLUSH FROM THE ROAD BEING PLOWED, THE MAILBOX WILL NOT BE REPLACED BY ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER PERSONNEL.

NO CONCRETE, BRICK, MASONRY OR OTHER LIKE MATERIAL SHALL BE USED AS A MAILBOX POST OR DECORATIVE POST SURROUND.

THE GREEN 9-1-1 ADDRESS SIGN MAY BE OBTAINED FROM YOUR TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES.

WARNING:

THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM AN OHIO SUPREME COURT RULING FROM 1992:

"WHERE AN ABUTTING LAND OWNER OR OCCUPIER USES THE HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY IN A MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH A HIGHWAY PURPOSE, AND WHERE SUCH USAGE CONSTITUTES AN UNREASONABLE HAZARD TO USERS OF THE HIGHWAY, THE LAND OWNER OR OCCUPIER MAY BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY THE IMPROPER USE OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY."

"A LAND OWNER OR OCCUPIER IS UNDER OBLIGATION TO KNOW THE BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPERTY. THE BORDER OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IS A BOUNDARY LINE LIKE ANY OTHER."

TO REDUCE THE LIABILITY EXPOSURE OF LAND OWNERS OR OCCUPIERS AND ALLEN COUNTY, WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO INFORM YOU THAT ANYTHING WHICH YOU CAUSE TO BE PLACED, OR CAUSE TO REMAIN, ON THE RIGHT-OF-WAY COULD BE THE CAUSE OF LEGAL ACTION BEING BROUGHT AGAINST YOU. IF YOU CURRENTLY HAVE SUCH ITEMS AS FENCES, TREES, SHRUBS, STONES OR ANY OTHER OBSTRUCTIONS ON THE RIGHT-OF-WAY, YOU SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE THEM REMOVED.

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MAILBOX STANDARDS

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