

## **Mailboxes**

### **Mailbox Reminder**

Your mailbox is not only a receptacle for your mail but helps others find your house. The ones looking for you could be the rescue squad, police, fire department, or out of town guest. Please put your street address on your mail box. It helps everyone.

If the mailbox or the post is not in good condition, snow from the plow blade could damage the mailbox and interrupt your mail service. Please check your mailbox as this is the property owner's responsibility.

If your mailbox is damaged directly by a township plow, the township will replace what was damaged. Mailboxes are replaced with a standard rural steel mailbox unit and will be replaced with a 4X4 wooden post.

If your mailbox is damaged or knocked down by the snow coming off the plow (the windrow), it is the homeowner's responsibility to make the repairs.

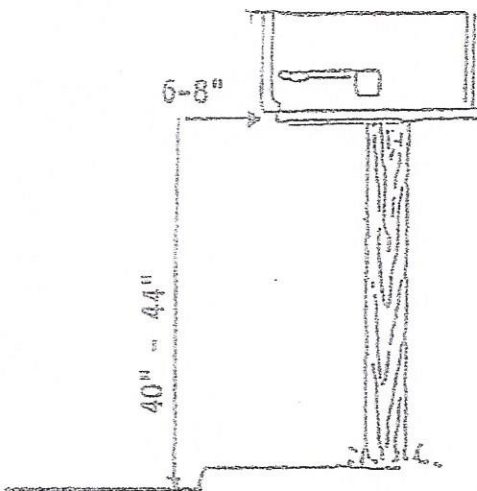
### **Mailbox Installation Specifications**

The following regulations comply with the National Safety Council and the Federal Highway Administration regulations.

- 1.) Mailboxes must be properly installed so to allow for convenient servicing by the letter carrier and avoid future problems.
- 2.) The use of a group mailbox stand (i.e., a number of mailboxes on one support) is encouraged where possible. This helps the letter carriers to speed up deliveries and avoids damage by snowplows.
- 3.) Only United States Postal Service approved mailboxes may be used.
- 4.) Without curb, mailboxes should be installed 12 inches off the roadway, with curb they should be installed 6-8 inches off the roadway.
- 5.) The bottom of the mailbox must be 40 – 44 inches above the pavement surface.
- 6.) Residents are responsible for keeping their mailbox in good repair.
- 7.) The ideal mailbox support is an assembly which, if struck, bends or falls away from the striking vehicle instead of severely damaging the vehicle and injuring its occupants. Mailbox supports no larger than 4 inches or 4 ½ inch wood post, or 2 inch diameter standard steel or aluminum pipe, buried no more than 24 inches in the ground, should safely breakaway if struck by a vehicle.

- 8.) The use of heavy metal post, concrete post, and miscellaneous items of farm equipment such as milk cans filled with concrete is not permitted. A brick, stone or any cement structure of a permanent nature is strictly prohibited.

Typical installation with curb



Typical installation without curb

