

Does Your Mailbox Measure Up?

It may be hard to believe, but winter is fast approaching. When the Public Works Department is dispatched to clear the streets after a snow event, they often encounter mailboxes that are placed too close to the street, are in a state of disrepair, leaning out into the street, or have been installed at the incorrect height.

Please help the Village minimize damage to mailboxes during the winter months. Check to make sure that your mailbox meets the USPS guidelines listed below:

- 1. Mailbox supports should be no smaller than 4"x 4" and no larger than 6"x 6" treated wood, or no smaller than 1 ½" and no larger than 3" diameter light gauge hollow standard steel or aluminum pipe**
- 2. Mailboxes or supporting structures should be installed or maintained within, but not closer than, 6-8" from the edge of the street pavement or the back of the street curb (where curbs exists); and the bottom surface of the mailbox should not be less than 41" and not more than 45" from the ground surface.**

