



Xenia Township Mailbox Replacement Policy

Xenia Township has adopted the following policy for mailboxes damaged directly by Township crews during snow plowing:

The Xenia Township Road Department makes every effort to protect the integrity of property owner's mailboxes. However, during periods of heavy snow accumulation mailboxes are sometimes damaged as a result of winter plowing operations. On most occasions they are knocked down or damaged by the force of the snow coming off the plow.

Property owners are encouraged to inspect their mailboxes and posts prior to the winter season each year and to repair or replace deteriorated mailboxes or posts to ensure their durability. Your mailbox should be designed and constructed to stand up to the rigors of the winter plowing season. Massive supports such as telephone poles, heavy metal posts, bricks or other similar items are considered hazards and should not be used. Any mailbox support should be designed so that if it is struck, it will bend, break or fall away from the striking vehicle to prevent severe damage to the vehicle or injury to the traveling public.

While government agencies are not required to replace or repair damaged mailboxes that sit on public right-of-way, we choose to do so as a courtesy. If your mailbox or post is damaged as a result of direct contact from our equipment we will repair or replace it. Mailboxes damaged by thrown or pushed snow do not warrant replacement.

Xenia Township will not replace non-standard, specialty or exotic type mailboxes. Xenia Township will only use a breakaway type post (4"x4" post) and a standard U.S. Postal Service approved light weight steel mailbox. Reapplication of numbers and lettering is the homeowner's responsibility.

