

## CHAPTER 141

# RURAL DELIVERY MAILBOXES

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**141.01 TYPE OF MAILBOX.** All mailboxes placed upon the City streets and right-of-ways shall be of a Quonset type, number 1 sized box as approved by the U.S. Department of Postal Service regulations.

**141.02 LOCATION OF MAILBOXES.** All mailboxes meeting the above specifications shall be set in clusters of at least two and not more than ten boxes per location. Boxes shall not be set closer than twenty-five (25) feet to an intersection; said intersection shall be determined by measuring twenty-five (25) feet from the middle of the intersecting street down the street the mailboxes are to be placed upon. Mailboxes shall not be placed closer than ten (10) feet from any alley or driveway approach. Mailboxes meeting the above specifications may be placed in the street right-of-way provided that the support thereof shall be at least two (2) feet behind the curb or edge of the traveled way and no portion of the box or support shall extend into the traveled way. Said boxes shall not obstruct a paved sidewalk for pedestrians and where the roadway has a shoulder to be maintained, said boxes and support shall be placed so as not to interfere with the road maintenance or snow removal.

**141.03 MAINTENANCE OF APPROACHES.** All approaches to the mailboxes shall be maintained by the individual owners of the boxes at said approach and the City shall not be responsible for surfacing, grading or maintaining said approaches.

1. Any person who maintains a mailbox, delivery receptacle or other structure upon the public way covenants and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City in regard to any claim arising out of the location and maintenance of the mailbox or other structure.

2. The property owner hereby acknowledges that structures placed upon the public way adjacent to the traveled portion may be subject to damage or destruction during snow removal or maintenance operations and therefore the property owner who places or maintains a mailbox or other structure upon any portion of the public way covenants and agrees that the City shall have no liability in the event of the damage or destruction of the property owner's property which has been placed on the public way, and the property owner assumes all risk of loss or damage because of such placement.

3. If snow removal near a mailbox cannot be satisfactorily accomplished by the City during snow removal operations, it shall be the responsibility of the property owner to remove the snow obstruction.

**141.04 NONCONFORMING EXISTING MAILBOXES.** All existing mailboxes in the City at the time of the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter (August 6, 1997) will not be affected by this chapter and shall be allowed to remain in place. A mailbox installed after said effective date must meet the requirements and specifications of this chapter unless the residence is already on an established door-to-door delivery.