

Mailbox Regulations

Sandwich Municipal Code

Sec. 70-9. - Structural encroachments.

(c) *Mailbox regulations.*

- (1) The placement and use of rural-type, freestanding, individual mailboxes at the curb or parkway on the city right-of-way in front of each residence is prohibited unless mail service cannot otherwise be provided.
- (2) Where mail service can only be provided by rural-type freestanding mailboxes, mailboxes and necessary appurtenances thereto may be erected and maintained in the parkway of any street or right-of-way adjacent to the postal patron's property, subject, however, to the following provisions.
- (3) No part of any rural-type mailbox or any appurtenance thereto shall be located or maintained closer than eight inches to the back of the curb or edge of pavement on streets without curbs on the parkways. Support structures which hold the mailboxes shall be 40 inches in height from the ground to the bottom of the mailbox. Support structures for mailboxes shall be constructed of break-away material, either four-inch by four-inch lumber or two-inch in diameter thin wall steel pipe with a wall thickness less than 0.155 inches. The mailbox support should safely break away if struck by a vehicle. The support structure shall be buried no more than 24 inches into the ground. Any other mailbox support structure is not acceptable. Unacceptable support structures include, but are not limited to, brick, block, stone or concrete masonry columns, wagon wheels, steel pipes in excess of the previously defined two-inch diameter 0.155-inch thickness and lumber posts in excess of four inches by four inches. The mailbox must also be securely attached to its post to prevent separation, if struck.
- (4) Residents shall be responsible for placing, replacing and repairing of said mailboxes. The city will not replace or repair any damaged mailbox unless said damage is substantially caused by the city.
- (5) The placement of cluster boxes for delivery within the city right-of-way is not permitted in residential zoned areas.