

Weston Township Mail Box Policy

The Weston Township Trustees have a duty to provide safe, passable township roads for the traveling public. Mailboxes not in compliance with the US Postal regulations are a safety hazard and an obstruction to the safe use of township roads. Please refer to the US Postal Service mailbox size and placement requirements below. Ohio Revised Code §5547.03 provides for the removal of obstructions such as noncompliant mailboxes from the roads within Weston Township.

Mailbox Damage: Only mailboxes damaged by DIRECT CONTACT with a vehicle or a plow, but not snow thrown from a plow, while performing Weston Township maintenance operations, will be considered for a cash settlement of up to \$30.00. Owners of damaged boxes must notify the Weston Township Trustees' Office, which will inspect the damaged mailbox to confirm contact with a township road vehicle.

To Report Damage: Please call 419-669-3811. A copy of this policy can be found at: www.woodcountytownships.com/weston.html

USPS Regulations Referenced

Mailbox Size Placement Requirements

- 1) Your local postmaster must approve the location of your mailbox.
- 2) Put a roadside mailbox where a carrier can reach inside without leaving the truck. That means positioning it about 41" to 45" off the ground.
- 3) If you're mounting a curbside mailbox on a post near the road, the support should be secure and safe. The best support are designed to bend or fall away if a car hits them.
- 4) The Federal Highway Administration recommends:
 - A wooden mailbox support no bigger than 4" x 4".
 - A 2"-diameter standard steel or aluminum pipe.
 - Bury your post no more than 24" deep, so it can give way in an accident.
 - Don't use potentially dangerous support, such as heavy metal pipes, concrete posts and farm equipment, such as milk cans filled with concrete.

More information at: <https://www.usps.com/manage/know-mailbox-guidelines.htm>