Mailbox Policy

Damaged Mailbox Supports

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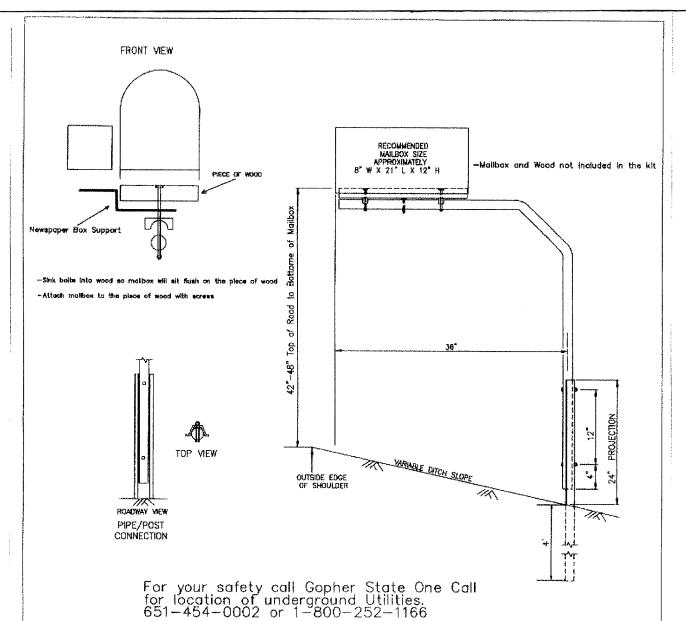
Each year Franconia Township receives calls about damaged mailboxes/supports due to plowing. Franconia Township will not fix or repair damaged mailboxes/supports unless it is a Minnesota Department of Transportation approved swinging arm mailbox. Franconia Township will only fix/repair these mailbox/supports if the plow itself physically has hit the mailbox/support and caused the damage. Any damage to the mailbox/support caused from the snow being plowed into the mailbox/support will not be repaired by Franconia Township and is the responsibility of the owner.

The Minnesota Department of Transportation approved swinging arm mailbox support has been crash tested for safety and is designed to move and "swing away" when the snow is plowed. Other mailbox supports can be a roadside hazard and liability to the property owner.

Separate posts for advertising/paper boxes are not approved. These advertising/paper boxes should be attached/mounted per the approved diagram.

Franconia Township has available these swing arm mailbox supports for the current county rate. These mailbox supports are only available to residents of Franconia Township. Please call ahead when purchasing mailbox supports at 651-257-8291. The Franconia Town Hall is located at 25156 St. Croix Trail North, Shafer MN 55074.

Placement of these mailbox supports is the responsibility of the home owner. Contact your local postal carrier to determine which side of the roadway and the height of support. (Call "Gopher State One Call" before driving support post into the ground.) 651-454-0002 or 800-252-1166



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For best results the base post must be installed 4 feet into the ground. ADS and paper box should be attached to the left side of the mailbox. See Diagram.

MAILBOX SUPPORT

STEEL PIPE WITH FITTINGS AND STEEL FENCE POST.
(SINGLE SUPPORT)

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