

## **SNOW REMOVAL & MAILBOXES**

Each winter, mailboxes are damaged during road maintenance operations. More often than not, damage to mailboxes is caused by the snow pushing against weakened posts. If you can shake your mailbox, it probably needs maintenance. Take time to make any repairs needed so your mailbox will be strong enough to survive the winter. Proper maintenance may help to prevent damage that results in delayed mail delivery, or worse, having to make alternate delivery arrangements. Your mailbox is in the road right of way and is allowed by the Road Authority as a convenience to you. Follow the installation requirements by Canada Post, and call the Public Works Department if you need further information on construction and placement of your mailbox. Flying snow makes it look like the snow plow trucks are travelling much faster than they are, but the average speed of travel is about 40 km/hr.

Even at this speed, the force of the snow being pushed off the road can damage mailboxes and other roadside items. In addition to making sure your

mailbox is strong enough to survive the winter, clearing snow from around your mailbox will help reduce the amount of snow deposited against your mailbox during winter maintenance. If your mailbox does get damaged, please feel free to contact Transportation Services at the Township Administration Office. Please note that the Township will only replace mailboxes damaged when a plow physically hits the mailbox or post, not if the damage is caused by the snow coming off the plow.



### **Canada Post Installation Guidelines**

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