

*Village of Pecatonica
What you need to know about
your Mailbox*

Are you getting ready to install a new mailbox along a street in Pecatonica?

The location and construction of mailboxes shall conform to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Postal Service.

Curb Mailbox Regulations for
Northern Illinois

- The front of the mailbox must be 6 to 12 inches back from edge of the curb or street.
- The bottom of the mailbox must be 42 to 48 inches higher than the roadway surface
- Numerical address must be at least one inch high on the side of the mailbox from which the carrier approaches or on the front of mailboxes if they are grouped.

- Approach to the mailbox must be on a hard, level surface such as gravel, cinders, stone or asphalt.
- Postal customers are responsible for removing snow, debris, vehicles and other obstructions that would keep a carrier from delivering to their box.
- The carrier must be able to reach the box without getting out of his or her vehicle.
- Mailboxes must say "Approved by the Postmaster General or Approved by USPS."
- Mailboxes must be securely attached to posts to prevent separation, if struck.

Please note: The Village of Pecatonica is not responsible for mailboxes that are poorly mounted, have rotted posts or are damaged by the impact of snow.

Contact your local Post Office for further instructions and the side of the street where your mailbox should be located (815) 239-2656.

Source: United States Postal Service

