



**TOWN OF PAXTON  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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**Mailbox Policy**

*The purpose of this policy is to clarify the responsibilities of the Town and owner in regard to mailboxes in the Town's right of way:*

1. Mailboxes installed in the Town owned Right of Way are placed at the owner's risk. If it is proven that a Town vehicle/snowplow makes contact with a mailbox and causes damage, it will be the responsibility of the Town to replace or repair at a cost of up to \$50. This cost is based on a standard mailbox and wooden post.
2. If a mailbox is broken or damaged from the weight of snow, ice or slush, then the Town will not fund any replacement or repair.

**Right of Way Policy**

*The purpose of this policy is to clarify the responsibilities of the Town and owner in regard to obstacles in the Town's right of way:*

1. The Town is not responsible for damage to, repairing or replacing private property including, but not limited to: signs, vehicles, landscaping, fences, mailboxes and other structures, etc. placed within Town owned right of way (ROW)/layout unless specified in another Town policy. The Town owns the roadside right of way (i.e., the land adjacent to the road pavement) and must retain all rights to maintain these areas for clear visibility, snow storage and public safety or public need purposes (utilities).
2. The construction/placement of walls, fences, and other structures within the Town owned right of way is prohibited.

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