

Marquette County

Mailbox Replacement Policy

Marquette County has many options that require various types of vehicles and equipment to work along the roads of Marquette County. These operations include snow removal and plowing, shoulder work, brushing, mowing ditches, etc... Performing these operations requires the Highway Department to plow or clean the snow from the road and shoulder areas. The Highway Department takes care not to damage any property within the counties right-of-way; however, mailboxes do occasionally get damaged.

This policy sets forth the terms and conditions for damaged mailbox reimbursement.

Marquette County will provide monetary reimbursement if:

1. It is determined by a designated representative of the Marquette County Highway Department that the County operator damaged the mailbox by physical contact with County equipment, **and**
2. The mailbox had been properly installed in accordance with the attached guidelines and was properly maintained prior to the damage, **and**
3. The injured party provides receipts for replacement costs to the Marquette County Highway Department offices at P.O. Box 398 / 328 Underwood Avenue, Montello, Wisconsin 53949.

Marquette County will reimburse the injured party the actual amount expended on replacement costs as documented on the receipts provided, up to a maximum of \$50.00.

Marquette County will not provide reimbursement for any mailbox damaged by the weight of the plow windrow (snow exiting the end of the plow) or other damage caused by the weight of snow or ice.

Recommendation: Mailbox posts should not be secured with concrete. Instead, 1/4" screenings (1/4" gravel with fines) or compacted sand should be used. Mailbox posts should be no larger than 4x4.