TOWN OF HAMILTON

Mailbox and Newspaper Delivery Box Installation Policy:

No mailbox or newspaper delivery box (hereafter jointly referred to as "mailbox") will be allowed to exist on the Town's right-of-way if it interferes with the safety of the traveling public or the function, maintenance, or operation of the highway system. A mailbox installation that does not conform to the provisions of this regulation is an unauthorized encroachment on a way as referenced in M.G.L. Chapter 86, Section 3.

The location and construction of mailboxes shall conform to standards established by the Town of Hamilton or as to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Postal Service as applicable.

A mailbox installation that conforms to the following criteria will be considered acceptable unless in the judgment of the Highway Superintendent, the installation interferes with the safety of the traveling public or the function, maintenance, or operation of the highway system.

Sidewalks:

No mailbox is to be located on a sidewalk. Where questions arise regarding the location and support of mailboxes in locations with sidewalks, the Highway Superintendent shall make the final decision. Under no circumstances will any work be done on the sidewalk itself except by the Highway Division.

Mailbox Replacement if Damaged by Snow Removal:

The Town will not replace a mailbox unless it is hit directly by a snowplow; the Town will replace a mailbox if the Town's plow came in direct contact with a well-maintained mailbox or post. The Town will not replace a mailbox or post that are in poor condition.

The Department will not fix mailboxes that have been installed too close the street, are damaged from the force of the snow being pushed off the road or are in violation of any other section of these regulations.