

## MAILBOX INSTALLATION STANDARDS

(From USPS Standards for Residential Mailboxes)

- Install the mailbox with the bottom of the box at a vertical height of between 48-52 inches from the road surface.
- Mailboxes should be set back 6 to 8 inches from the front face of the curb or road edge to the mailbox door.
- A receptacle can be attached for newspaper delivery by a private company to the post of a curbside mailbox used by the Postal Service as long as it doesn't:
  - ❖ extend beyond the front of the mailbox when the box door is closed.
  - ❖ touch or use any part of the mailbox for support.
  - ❖ interfere with mail delivery, obstruct the view of the mailbox flag, or present a hazard to a mailperson or vehicle.
  - ❖ display any advertising, except the publication's title.
- For posts and supports, it's up to you to keep them neat and adequate in strength and size. Ideally, its assembly should bend or fall away when struck by a vehicle. The Postal Service doesn't regulate mailbox supports except for purposes of carrier safety and delivery efficiency. It's also your responsibility to ensure a path is clear to your mailbox so that carriers can safely and efficiently deliver the mail.

