

a. Mailboxes

i. Mailboxes should meet breakaway standards of Minn. R. 8818.0300

ii. The following are considered nuisances by the rules:

1. more than one vertical support;
2. a single support containing more than two mailboxes;
3. a wooden support with a cross-sectional area greater than 16 square inches at any above-ground point along the support (for

example, the maximum allowable square and round support dimensions are four inches by four inches and 4.5 inches in diameter, respectively), except that larger wooden supports are acceptable if, at a height four inches above the ground, the support cross-sectional area is altered in some fashion so as to reduce the cross-sectional area at that point to 16 square inches or less;

4. a metal support of a weight of four pounds per foot or more for any one foot of vertical measurement above ground (for example, a standard steel pipe of up to two inches inner diameter would be acceptable);
5. a mailbox that is not acceptable for delivery of mail by the United States Postal Service;
6. adjacent mailbox installations whose respective supports are spaced closer than 30 inches;
7. neighborhood delivery and collection box units, whether or not United States Postal Service approved;
8. a support comprised of material other than solely wood or metal that either exceeds 16 square inches in total cross-sectional area at a height four inches above ground or is of a weight of four pounds per foot or more for any one foot of vertical measurement above ground, unless within the first three inches above ground the support is less than four pounds per foot (less than one pound over the three-inch distance). Examples of such nonconforming supports could include supports such as filled milk cans, brick structures, plows, and concrete-filled pipe;
9. and an installation, whether a support or closed mailbox, that encroaches the usable roadway or its airspace.