



From: TOWN OF DENNIS DPW

Subject: SNOWPLOW DAMAGE:

All reports of snow plow damage are investigated by this department as soon as possible after snow removal operations are completed. In some cases it may not be possible to fully investigate or repair damage until all snow has melted.

Town policy prohibits the placement of any items within the road layout above the existing grade including but not limited to landscape timbers, shrubs, fences, rocks and basketball hoops as they may be a hazard to snow plowing, sweeping and other operations and a possible impediment to pedestrian traffic. Items placed within the road layout at or below existing grade including but not limited to irrigation systems, paving stones, sod lawns and graveled areas are placed at the owner's risk and will not be replaced or repaired if damaged. The road layout generally extends several feet from the edge of pavement. This distance varies from road to road, and some roads actually have a variable right of way. Wooden and fiberglass marking stakes (metal stakes are not allowed) may be placed at the pavement edge, but will not be reset by the DPW if knocked over during plowing operations.

The DPW will only repair or replace mailboxes damaged by direct contact with the snowplow. Damage resulting from the discharge of snow from the snowplow will not be repaired.

Mailboxes or posts damaged by direct contact with the snowplow will be replaced with standard steel mailboxes and a 4x4 pressure treated post. Custom or plastic mailboxes and posts will not be repaired or replaced.

The DPW will not replace or repair mailboxes if the front of the mailbox is less than 6' from the edge of pavement or the front face of curb. It is the property owner's responsibility to clear snow around mailboxes to ensure delivery from the US Postal Service.

Should you have any questions or need further clarification on this or other issues pertaining to our snow removal policies please call us at 508-760-6220.