

**ORDINANCE 3-99**  
**DRIVEWAY, CULVERT & MAILBOX ORDINANCE**  
**PRIVATE ACCESS ROAD AND DRIVEWAY REQUIREMENTS**

These requirements apply to new building construction and improvements to existing building totaling more than half the value of the existing building. The requirements include residential, commercial and industrial buildings, but excludes accessory structures such as pole sheds.

1. Access road and driveway construction or alteration requires a permit issued by a Town Board Member or the Building Inspector.

(a) Driveways on any State or County road will also require approval from the governing body.

2. Access road and driveway must:

(a) have a minimum side to side width clearance of 20 feet.

(b) have a minimum road base width of 16 feet.

(c) have a minimum driving surface of 12 feet.

(d) have a minimum height clearance of 13  $\frac{1}{2}$  feet.

(e) have a slope no greater than 10% unless documentation is obtained stating that slope will not affect public safety in providing emergency services.

(f) be able to sustain a minimum weight load of 30 tons (to support weight of fire equipment).

(g) have the first 12 feet from the edge of the highway be near level, but slightly lower than the highway, to allow for water drainage.

(h) have a minimum of 5 inches of crushed rock or equivalent.

(i) intersect with town roads at right angles.

(j) have a sight distance of 250 feet in any direction along the town road being intersected, if the legal speed limit is 35 miles or less. If the speed limit is over 35 miles, sight distance should be 350 feet.

(k) be at least 100 feet from any intersection.

(l) be placed no closer than 10 feet from the lot line, as measured from the lot line to the nearest edge of the shoulder or the ditch, whichever is nearest.

3. Access roads and driveways that are over 300 feet in length that end in a dead end, provide an area sufficient for a turn around of a tandem axle truck.

4. All access roads which connect a driveway to a public road must also adhere to these rules ( as in frontage or connecting roads).

5. Culverts must:

- (a) have a minimum diameter of 12 inches, where culverts are needed, and 24 feet long.
- (b) be installed at the same grade as preexists.
- (c) be adequate for drainage.

6. Bridges and culverts must:

- (a) be able to carry a weight load of at least 30 tons.
- (b) be able to withstand water from a 25 year flood.

7. Proper steps must be taken for erosion control.

8. The front of a mailbox must:

- (a) be positioned 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  feet from the edge of the blacktop and the bottom of the mailbox 40 inches from the ground.

9. Violation and Penalties:

It shall be unlawful to install, relocate or replace a driveway access in violation of this ordinance. Any person, firm or corporation that fails to comply with the provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof, shall forfeit not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$1,000.00 and the cost of prosecution for each violation.

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by the Town Board of the Town of Mukwa and publication according to law. Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1999.

Aye 3

/s/Jim Curns, Chairman

Nay 0

/s/Lloyd Stern, Supervisor #1

/s/Neil Freeman, Supervisor #2

Filed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1999

in the office of the Town Clerk.

/s/Catherine Stern, Mukwa Town Clerk

Posted:

Mukwa Town Hall

November 16, 1999

Corner of Manske Rd & Cty Trk W

November 16, 1999

Corner of Broadway & Hwy 54

November 16, 1999

Code of Ordinance Published

October 22, 1999

Adoption of Ordinance Published

November 19, 1999