

## GUIDELINES FOR DISPLAY OF PERMANENT ADDRESS NUMBERS

This county wide House Numbering Ordinance (Oceana County Ordinance #3, Nov, 1991) has been adopted by the Board of Commissioners so as to insure that emergency services; i.e., ambulance, law enforcement, fire and general services; i.e., utilities, public health, and postal delivery are more readily available to Oceana County residents and property owners.

Probably the most important part of insuring the prompt delivery of these life saving services is the proper display of permanent address numbers. The following guidelines provide for options in displaying address numbers.

### A. All homes or addressed structures.

1. All homes or addressed structures **shall** display address numbers on the street/front side of the structure.

2. If said home/structure is secluded or obstructed from obvious view or more than **90** feet off the roadway, then numbers **must also** be displayed on a post or sign not less than **5** feet tall adjacent to the driveway and plainly visible to road traffic. Posts are preferred to be wooden no larger than **4** inches in cross-section. Metal posts no larger than **2** inches in cross-section may be used. Posts **MUST** be located on the unmaintained portion of the road right-of-way or back side of any ditch. The preferred distance is to set the post **30** feet from the center of the road unless obstructed from obvious view. The location may be subject to Oceana County Road Commission approval.

**NOTE:** Numbers displayed on buildings or posts **MUST** be a **contrasting** or **reflectorized** color not less than **THREE** inches (**3"**) in height.

### B. Property owners receiving mail at the premises.

1. If your mailbox is located on the same street/road as the premises as numbered, you must place your assigned numbers on your mailbox. Numbers should be placed on both sides of the mailbox in such a position as to be plainly visible to road traffic approaching from either direction.

**NOTE:** Numbers displayed on mailboxes **MUST** be a **contrasting** or **reflectorized** color not less than **THREE** inches (**3"**) in height.

2. If your mail box is located on a street/road **not** the same as the premises as numbered, follow instructions for item **"A-2"**. The placement of numbers and road name on mailbox is personal choice or possibly a Post Office recommendation. Check with your local Post Office.

A copy of Ordinance #3 is available for inspection at the Oceana County Clerks Office and/or Oceana County Administrator's Office.

For further information please call **231-873-4609**.