

Brandon Township

Douglas County, Minnesota

Township Road Right of Way Regulations

All township roads whether platted or by easement, include a Right of Way requirement extending 2 rods (33 feet) on either side from the center of the road. Use of the right of way is restricted and cannot be used for signs or other obstructions and must remain clear for road and ditch maintenance. Also, Minnesota State Law does not permit any private construction of wires, water pipes etc, over or under township roads.

Brandon Township asks you to help them prevent the mis-use of the Township roads as a dumping ground. Specifically, the only things that can legally be put into the right-of-way (33 feet from center of road on both sides) are mail boxes, traffic signs, and driveways.

Everything else is prohibited by law, including placement in the right-of-way of building materials, rocks, wood, lawn clippings, etc. Planting trees or bushes in the right-of-way is also prohibited.

Minnesota Statutes, Section 169.42 (traffic regulations) and, also, Minnesota Statutes, Section 609.68 (criminal offenses) both make the above practices a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$700 or imprisonment for up to 90 days, for each offense.

The Township has a good road system and it takes taxpayer funds to clean up after violators. Also, the Township could be held liable for damage claims of road users if it knowingly permits these illegal acts. Landowners can also be held liable. For the good of the Township and your neighborhood, please obey these laws. And if you observe any violations by others, please report them to your Township Supervisors.

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Clerk, Mike Cleary



Chairman, Kerby Lund

