

9-1-1 ADDRESSING OFFICER – TOWN OF EDGECOMB, ME.

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The function of the 9-1-1 Addressing Officer is to assure that all residents, and businesses, have a physical address consisting of a number and a street name. The purpose of this responsibility is to enhance the easy and rapid location of structures by law enforcement, fire, rescue, and emergency medical services personnel in the municipality of The Town Of Edgcomb should there be a need for assistance from any of these agencies. The 9-1-1 Addressing Officer is authorized to, and shall, assign road names, and numbers, to all properties, both on existing and proposed roads,

These requirements are a part of the Towns “Addressing Ordinance” which was adopted at the 2008 Town Meeting and pursuant to, and consistent with, Municipal Home Rule Powers as provided for in Article VIII, Part 2, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Maine and Title 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 3001.

Per the ordinance, it is the responsibility of all owners of structures to display and maintain, in a conspicuous place on their properties/structure(s), assigned numbers in the following manner:

- a. **Number on the Structure or Residence:** Where the residence or structure is within fifty (50) feet of the edge of the road right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed on the front of the residence or structure in the vicinity of the front door or entryway, where it will be easily visible from the road.
- b. **Number at the Road Line:** Where the residence or structure is over fifty (50) feet from the edge of the road right-of-way, the assigned number shall be displayed on a post, fence, wall, the mail box, or on some structure at the property line adjacent to the access drive to the residence or structure.
- c. **Size, Color, and Location of Number:** Numbers shall be of a color that contrasts with their background color and shall be a MINIMUM of four (4) inches in height, and of a reflective material. Numbers shall be located to be visible from the road at all times of the year.
- d. **Proper number:** Every person, whose duty it is to display an assigned number, shall remove any different number(s) which might be mistaken for, or confused with, the number assigned in conformance with this ordinance.
- e. **Interior location:** All residents and other occupants are requested to post their assigned number and road name adjacent to their telephone for emergency reference.

For the safety of all the residents and business owners of the Town of Edgcomb, I strongly request that each and every one of you take the time to inspect your current system of identifying your structures and make an effort to upgrade, if necessary, the numbers on your mailboxes, or posts (if you don't use a mailbox), to the recommended **SIZE** and **REFLECTIVE** materials. As I said, this is for your safety so that the emergency services folks can find you or your house/business in times of need.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions and/or concerns regarding this ordinance. I can be reached via email at lgomland@gmail.com, or by phone at 207-449-9240.

Respectfully submitted,

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