

SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

The owners or owners of any lot or lots in the Borough of Wellsboro with sidewalks in the public right of way shall maintain such sidewalks in a safe and passable condition, free of tripping hazards and obstructions. The said owner or owners shall repair any defects in such sidewalks and remove any obstructions, which make them unsafe or impassable to pedestrians.

Section two. Maintenance obligation.

The obligation of maintenance shall include but not be limited to:

1. Repair of holes, and repair of cracks having a width in excess of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch at any one point along a length of one foot or greater.
2. Maintenance of a constant grade.
 - a. Repair shall be made when one or more sections of the sidewalk rises above or drops below the grade of the edges of immediately adjacent sections resulting in an irregular surface with depression greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in depth.
 - b. Repair shall be made when the curb is out of vertical alignment with the adjacent curb or an adjacent section or slab of sidewalk in excess of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch.
 - c. Repair shall be made when the curb is out of horizontal alignment with the adjacent curb in excess of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch.
3. Repair of any section of sidewalk that has spalling on twenty-five percent (25%) OR MORE OF ITS SURFACE.
4. The removal of leaves, tree limbs, grass clippings, debris, cinders, gravel, grits, or any other refuse on such sidewalk or projecting branches and other obstructions below six (6) feet, eight (8) inches above the sidewalk. The property owner shall be responsible for the prompt removal of any such items whether or not such items were deposited by the owner, his tenants, anyone acting under his direction, control, license or any third party.

Notice to Citizens of the Borough of Wellsboro

The Wellsboro Borough Council has indicated its' intent to begin to enforce the Sidewalk Ordinance #344. To property owners in the Borough, this means that if no sidewalk exists, you will be required to install one, and if yours is in disrepair, you will be required to repair and/or replace it. The Borough has a Sidewalk Program that can assist property owners in this regard by,

1. Removing the old sidewalk blocks
2. Disposal of them,
3. Setting the line and grade for the contractor.

All the property owner has to do is set the forms, supply the gravel base, and pour the cement

The Superintendent has established a list where you may sign up for this service at the Borough Office on a first come first served basis.

Please take advantage of this free program Sidewalk Program by planning and making improvements to your sidewalks.