

## POTENTIAL ADDRESS ERROR MESSAGES:

### STREET NOT MATCHED

**Address Keyed:**

7830 HWY K  
W2093 HIGHWAY 28/67  
N5595 HWY 73  
E 3132 HAYDN ROAD  
W9096 CTY TR AS  
N3198 C.T.H.F.  
N1725 CANA RD

(STREET IS NOT A USPS DELIVERABLE ADDRESS)

**USPS Compliant Address:**

7830 COUNTY ROAD K  
W2093 STATE ROAD 67/28  
N5595 STATE HIGHWAY 73  
N3132 HAYDEN RD  
W9096 COUNTY ROAD AS  
N3198 COUNTY HIGHWAY F  
PO BOX 123

### UNIT DESIGNATOR MISSING OR NO UNIT NUMBER/UNIT NUMBER MISSING

**Address Keyed:**

6769 SCHROEDER RD  
4

1037 S SUNNYVALE LN

**USPS Compliant Address:**

6769 SCHROEDER RD APT 4

1037 S SUNNYVALE LN UNIT D

### CITY/STATE/ZIP NOT MATCHED/INPUT STATE DIFFERENT FROM FINALIST RECOMMENDATION

**Address Keyed:**

NORTH POLE AL 99705  
ROGERS AZ 72756

**USPS Compliant Address:**

NORTH POLE AK 99705  
ROGERS AR 72756

### DIRECTIONAL MULTIPLE CHOICE/DIRECTIONAL MISSING OR INCORRECT

**Address Keyed:**

2220 DECORAH RD  
13731 PINERIDGE RD  
506 FINCH ST

**USPS Compliant Address:**

2220 E DECORAH RD  
13731 E PINE RIDGE RD  
506 S FINCH ST

### OUT OF RANGE

**Address Keyed:**

W 5391 CO RD I  
36924 WILSON AVE  
N1005 PICKEREL CREEK RD  
W1424 COUNTY ROAD XX  
W 1165 CR J  
11426 E TOWER ROAD  
N178N5190 ROSEWAY AVE  
W289 N3695 HUNTSMAN COURT  
OXFORD WI 53952

**USPS Compliant Address:**

W5391 COUNTY ROAD Y  
S14W36924 WILSON AVE  
N11005 PICKEREL CREEK RD  
N1424 COUNTY ROAD XX  
W1165 COUNTY ROAD J  
E11426 TOWER RD  
W178N5190 ROSEWAY AVE  
W289N3695 HUNTSMAN CT  
WESTFIELD WI 53964

# USPS ADDRESSING GUIDELINES

## ABBREVIATIONS:

Directional's should be abbreviated unless they are the actual name of the street or city:

109 EAST NORTH ST should be 109 E NORTH ST

513 SOUTH POWELL ST should be 513 S POWELL ST

Use the approved abbreviation for secondary unit designators, common examples:

Apartment = APT

Floor = FL

Suite = STE

Room = RM

Department = DEPT

Building = BLDG

Use standard abbreviations for addresses, common examples:

Lane = LN

Road = RD

Street = ST

Avenue = AVE

Boulevard = BLVD

Circle = CIR

Court = CT

Trail = TRL

Terrace = TER

## EXCEPTIONS TO ABBREVIATIONS:

Spell out city names when possible:

MT HOREB should be MOUNT HOREB

FT ATKINSON should be FORT ATKINSON

When using the word County Rd in the delivery address line, the words must be spelled out, example:

9316 N CTY RD CC should be 9316 N COUNTY ROAD CC\*

\*This is one of the few exceptions when using the word road. If it is preceded by county or state, the word road should be spelled out; otherwise it is commonly abbreviated as RD.

USPS recommends the following standardized examples of county, state and local highways:

ST HWY 60 should be STATE HIGHWAY 60

US HWY 44 should be US HIGHWAY 44

RTE 95 should be ROUTE 95

US 41 SW should be US HIGHWAY 41 SW

ST RD 86 should be STATE ROAD 86

COUNTY HWY 60E should be COUNTY HIGHWAY 60E

**\*At times an address may be different than what is provided and the best way to ensure that the address is correct is by using USPS.com and the search by address tab. Example:**

**Member provided 1574 HWY 46 as an address.**

**The address should read as 1574 STATE ROAD 46.**

## MISCELLANEOUS:

**Use of the # sign.** It is preferred that the mailer use the approved secondary abbreviation as noted above; however if the mailer does not know the unit designation, the # sign may be used. If the # sign is used you must insert a space between the # sign and the next character, example:

109 E NORTH ST #4 should be 109 E NORTH ST # 4

Whenever possible, if an address has an apartment, suite, floor, dept., etc. it should be placed on the same line as the address with one space separating the address elements:

5324 MARSH RD  
APT #2  
MCFARLAND WI      should be      5324 MARSH RD APT 2  
MCFARLAND WI

If the apartment, suite, floor, dept., etc., does not fit on the same line, it must be placed above the address line. USPS reads bottom up when delivering mail:

5324 N HILLS LAKESHORE DR      APT 2  
APT #2      5324 N HILLS LAKESHORE DR  
MCFARLAND WI      should be      MCFARLAND WI

If a PO Box is provided, it must be listed above the city, state and zip and the zip code must match the PO Box, example:

PO BOX 7931      801 W BADGER RD (USPS prefers just the PO Box)  
801 W BADGER RD      PO BOX 7931  
MADISON WI 53713      should be      MADISON WI 53707-7931

If you have an alpha/numeric combination address, **do not** place a space between the sequence, example:

N6 W 23001 BLUEMOUND RD should be N6W23001 BLUEMOUND RD

If an address has a route and number, it should be converted to RR, example:

Route 1 Box 253 should be RR 1 BOX 253

## USPS READS ADDRESSES FROM THE BOTTOM UP

## Examples of Approved Abbreviated Listing of Cities That Exceed 15 Characters

Wisconsin Rapids	WISC RAPIDS
Black River Falls	BLK RIVER FLS
Boulder Junction	BOULDER JCT
Manitowish Waters	MANITOWSH WTR
Prairie du Chien	PR DU CHIEN
Pleasant Prairie	PLEASANT PR
Amherst Junction	AMHERST JCT
St Croix Falls	ST CROIX FLS
North Fond du Lac	N FOND DU LAC
Washington Island	WASHINGTON IS
Lake Nebagamom	LK NEBAGAMON