Rural Municipality of Meota No. 468

Rural Address Information

Rural addressing is a standardized system of identifying and locating rural properties. The RM of Meota has assigned rural addresses to each residential property in the municipality adhering to the standards set by the Civic Addressing Registry under the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency. The system will aid Emergency Medical Services, Fire, Police, utility companies, couriers and other visitors in finding your residence or business faster.

In 2025 the RM was successful in securing a grant to cover the cost of RM road signs as well as address signs for **residences** in rural areas. The signs have now been installed with a few exceptions. If you have not received a sign, please contact the RM office so we can be sure that one has been ordered for you. If you have any questions regarding sign placement please refer to the information below. If your question is not answered there, please contact the RM Administration office at 306-892-2061 or by emailing info@rmmeota468.ca, and we will do our best to answer your questions.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Rural addresses are based on the location of the primary access to a **residence or business** along a road allowance.

Civic Numbers

The Saskatchewan Civic Address Registry for rural addressing consists of the following civic numbering principles. There are some unique circumstances that are the exception but are not described in this document.

1. The road is divided into 40m lot intervals, starting at the most southern and eastern location
2. Even numbers are assigned on the West or South side of road
3. Odd numbers are assigned on the East or North side of road
4. Civic numbers generally increase in a northerly and westerly direction
5. If there is a single access to multiple properties, a unit number (sub-address) can be included to describe the address
6. Hamlet properties will follow an urban addressing system model.

Addresses along Township and Range Roads

Civic numbers for properties with access along numbered Township and Range roads, use the Township Grid Numbering System in combination with a 40 metres lot number to provide a consistent and sequential civic number throughout the province, using the principles described above.

Each section on either side of a one-mile segment of road, is subdivided into approximately 40 lots with each being 40 metres wide and of an indeterminate depth. The lots are numbered from 1 to 80 with the numbers increasing in a northerly direction on range roads and in a westerly direction on township roads. Even numbers for properties on the south or west side of a road and odd numbers for the opposite. Lot numbers may exceed 80 if there are diversions in the road that increases its length within the section.

For properties with access along Township Roads, their civic numbers are a combination of the Range Road number to the east of the access location, (regardless if the range road exists or has a different assigned road name) and the lot number by which the access is located along the section. For example, for the address 313464 Township Road 281, the range road to the east is 3134, and the property is located 2,560 (64 X 40) meters west of it on the south side.

A typical rural address sign is shown below. This property would be located on Range Road 71, 1,160 (29 x 40) meters north of Township Road 612 on the east side.

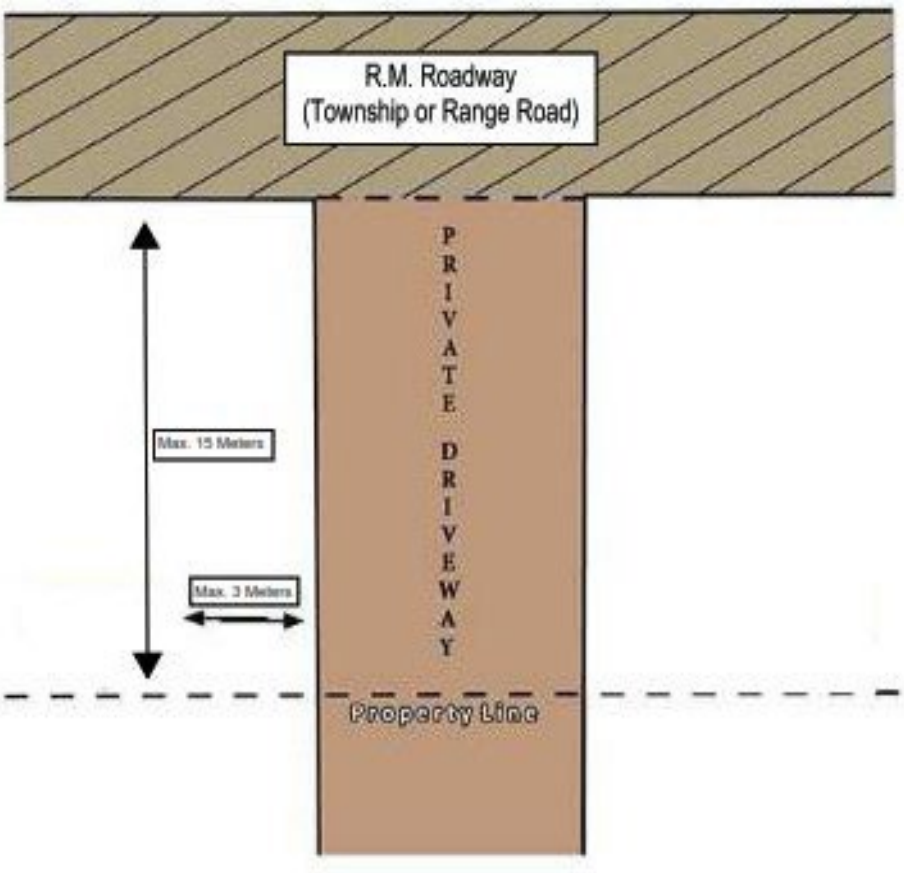


SIGN PLACEMENT

The RM of Meota Council approved a Rural Addressing Bylaw in 2024, which has recently been updated to include specific information regarding the placement of signs. The Bylaw is available for viewing on our website. Rural addressing signs can only be installed or moved by RM of Meota Public Works Staff, or contractors conducting this work on behalf of the municipality.

There are standards for the way rural addressing signs are to be placed in the RM according to the Bylaw. This is being done to ensure emergency services can easily find the main entrance to your property from the roadway when they are called, and to maintain a level of consistency for their benefit.

Each rural property sign will be placed according to the Rural Addressing Bylaw and as shown in the diagram below. Signs will be placed to the right of the approach (as you are facing the property) within 3 meters of the approach and within 15 meters of the travelled portion of a municipal road, or on the property line when adjacent to a highway.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I get a Rural Address? Where a rural address has not previously been assigned or where an approach application is approved for a new approach or multi-lot subdivision, the address will be determined and assigned when a development permit is issued or when a subdivision is approved.

Where do I find my rural address? Your rural address will be listed right under your legal address on your tax notice.

What are the benefits of using Rural Addresses over a Legal Land Description? A legal land description will identify where an entire property is located on a specific quarter section whereas a Rural Address will pinpoint the access to the residence off of a road allowance.

Is the Rural Address the same as a Mailing Address? No, they are two different addresses. Your current Canada Post mailing address will not change.

Who assigns Rural Addresses and who will have access to my address? Rural Addressing information is assigned and maintained by the RM of Meota and input into the Provincial Civic Address Registry.

Will each parcel of land in the municipality have a rural address? No – only those properties with a residence or business will receive a rural address.

What do I do with my new Rural Address once I get it? You don't need to do anything with your new rural address, other than memorize it! Your new Rural Address is primarily for emergency response. If you ever need to call 911, you can give the 911 dispatcher this address. We recommend posting your Rural Address near every phone or cell phone in your house. Also be sure to educate your children as to what your Rural Address is, what it is for, and how it should be used in the event of an emergency.

Is it mandatory? Yes, all developed rural properties with a residence or business will require a Rural Address and proper signage.

I live in a hamlet. Do I get an address also? Yes. Each house in a Hamlet or Organized Hamlet has a house number and each street has a road name.