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**T**he Alcona County Road Commission was established in 1919 and has been at the same location since.

Funding for roads comes from motor fuel taxes and the vehicle registration fee collected in Michigan. The funding is distributed among the 83 county road authorities based on a formula that considers miles of road and population through the Michigan Transportation Fund.

A three-member elected Board makes policy and generally oversees the operation of the Alcona County Road Commission. Board members serve a six-year term and are elected at large.

Road Commission meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesday each month at 4:00 p.m. at the office. Meetings are open to the public.



*The official logo of the Road Commission was designed by former employee Howard Specht and is a constant reminder of his unparalleled dedication to public service.*

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## Road Right of Way

Signs, Structures, Landscaping



**One Team ~ One Job ~ Your Safety**

## What's right in the road right of way

**R**oad signs, properly-installed drainage structures, driveways and service entrances, utility facilities, and mailboxes are among the things allowed within the road right of way along roads in Alcona County.



*If it doesn't serve to aid in the flow of traffic, it isn't right in the road right of way.*

Basically, the road right of way is reserved for vehicular traffic and road maintenance purposes. As such, any thing that does not serve those two purposes, excluding mailboxes, which are allowed in the right of way as a convenience to residents; and utilities, which are allowed by law, are deemed to be unnecessary and potential obstacles to road maintenance operations, or hazards and distractions to motorists.

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**F**ences, retaining walls, or landscaping features are not acceptable within the road right of way.

Signs, including temporary signs such as real estate signs and political campaign signs, and all sprinkler systems, underground pet fences, or any other underground installation shall not be placed within the road right of way.

Finally, any buildings, including porches and decks, are not allowed within of the right of way.

The right of way on roads in Alcona County is generally 33 feet on either side of the centerline of the road. This may vary, so it is advised that before starting any work along a road way, the Alcona County Road Commission be consulted to verify the actual right of way.

The Alcona County Road Commission does not assume responsibility for damage to any of the above-mentioned items or any other items deemed not allowable in the road right of way.

**T**he Road Commission's goal, is to preserve, protect, and keep the right of way safe.

Please contact us before starting any activities on or near the road right of way in Alcona County.

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See these brochures for information about other activities within the road right of way:

- Driveways
- Mailboxes
- Trees