



Boulevard Maintenance By-law

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What is a Boulevard?

A boulevard is the portion of public highway between the edge of the road and your property line. This may include:

- Grass, landscaping, or ditches.
- Sidewalks or driveway aprons.
- Utility poles, benches, or municipal fixtures.

If it borders your property-- it's considered your *abutting boulevard*.

Who is Responsible?

Property owners are responsible for maintaining the boulevard that abuts their property. This includes general upkeep and compliance with regulations under the by-law.

What Maintenance is Required?

You must:

- Cut grass and weeds under 15cm (6 inches).
- Keep landscaping under 0.9m (3 feet) in height.
- Keep sidewalks, driveways, and sightlines clear.
- Remove garbage, yard waste, debris, and abandoned items.
- Maintain any driveway apron in good repair.
- Keep fixtures (e.g., utility boxes) clean and free of graffiti.

What is NOT Allowed?

You may NOT:

- Landscape or improve the boulevard without permission.
- Obstruct sidewalks, curbs, sightlines, or drainage.
- Erect trees, hedges, rocks, or structures that interfere with access or visibility.
- Park vehicles or trailers on the boulevard.
- Dispose of waste, liquids, or debris in ditches, culverts, or public areas.
- Interfere with Township trees or utility access.
- Install fences, decorative rocks, or hard surfaces without approval.
- Leave hockey nets, basketball nets, or play equipment on sidewalks or roads.



Do I Need a Permit?

You need a permit for changes to boulevards such as:

- New or altered driveway aprons.
- Landscaping improvements (hard surfaces, retaining walls, etc.).
- Occupying a road or sidewalk during construction.

Types of permits:

- **Entrance Permit** - for driveway changes.
- **Road Occupancy Permit** - for temporary road/boulevard use.



Exemptions

Rural (RU-zoned) properties may be exempt from grass height rules under Section 2.2(c). please contact the Township to confirm.

Compliance & Enforcement

If a violation is observed, a **Notice to Comply** may be issued. This will include a deadline to correct the issue.

Failure to comply may result in:

- Township completing the work at your cost (plus 25% admin fee).
- Charges under the Provincial Offences Act.
- Fines as set out in Schedule A of the by-law.

Quick Reminders

- Keep both boulevards clean and trimmed.
- Don't place objects that obstruct views or movement.
- Apply for permits when making changes.
- ensure driveway aprons are in good repair.
- The Township may access and restore boulevards at any time.

Maintaining Uxbridge's boulevards helps ensure safe, accessible, and beautiful public spaces for everyone.

Questions?

We're here to help! Contact By-law Services before making changes to the boulevard.

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