

What You Should Know About Your Rural Addresses!

Know Your Rural Address!

It is important that you and everyone in your household know your rural address; it is what the emergency services use to locate your home when responding to an emergency.

Do I have to post my correct address?

Yes. It is very important that your address is posted correctly and that it is easily visible from the road. This is for your benefit so that fire, ambulance or police can find you in case of emergency. It is your responsibility to ensure your address is posted, remains visible and does not get overgrown by trees, shrubs, etc. To ensure the quickest response time, should you require assistance from any emergency services, your address must be posted correctly and in plain view from the road.

The Rural Address is not your mailing address!

Canada Post does not deliver to your rural address so it does not have a postal code.

How is the Rural Address created?

Rural Addresses are based on the grid system created by the Township Roads (which run east/west) and the Range Roads (which run north/south). Each mile is divided into 16 sections of 100m, making 32 units which determines the suffix of the address. The even numbers (2 to 32) are located on the north and west side of the road and the odd numbers (1 to 31) are on the east and south side.

For properties that front onto a Range Road (RGE RD), the first part of the address will take the prefix of the Township Road (TWP RD) directly south, in the case where there is not a Township Road Allowance, one has been assigned for address purposes. In the address 63416 RGE RD 444, the second part of the address (RGE RD 444) denotes the road upon which the property faces. The first part of the address (63416) denotes that the property is located in the #16 unit north of TWP RD 634, (see Page2).

For properties that front onto a TWP RD, the first part of the address will take the prefix of the RGE RD directly east. In the address 44402 TWP RD 635, the second part of the address (TWP RD 635) denotes the road upon which the property faces. The first part of the address (44402) denotes that the property is located west of RGE RD 444, and that it is in the #2 unit west of RGE RD 444, (see page 2).

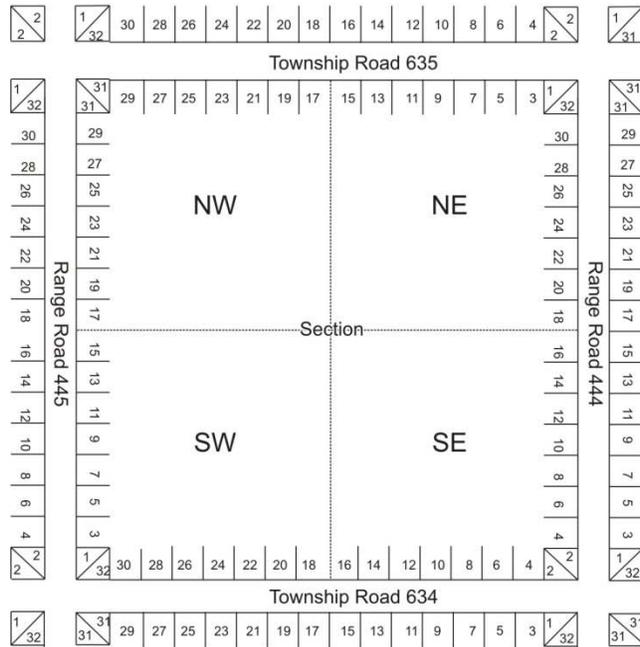
The M.D. of Bonnyville considers the approach/driveway as the front of the property.

Any subdivision names or road names within the subdivision are put up by the developer for navigation purposes only and do not serve any purpose as far as addressing is concerned.

If you live in a multi-lot Subdivision!

If you live in a multi-lot subdivision your home will be given a house number in addition to the subdivision addresses. You will need to know the address of your subdivision (61116 RGE RD 465) and your House Number (37), which is not the same as your Lot/Block/plan. Example: 37, 61116 RGE RD 465

Example of the Rural Address grid and signs.



63416 Rge Rd 444

634
This is the number of the Township Road to the South of the property.

16
This is the property access number, assigned based on its location along the public road.

444
This is the number of the Range Road that the property is accessed off of.

44402 Twp Rd 635

444
This is the number of the Range Road to the East of the property.

02
This is the property access number, assigned based on its location along the public road.

635
This is the number of the Township Road that the property is accessed off of.

What information is required for me to get a new address or confirm an existing address?

Any information you may have can be useful such as:

- Legal Land Description (i.e.: SW 16-62-07-W4 or Lot, Block, Plan) or Tax Roll Number.
- For rural addresses, location of access to the property (driveway) from an existing property line is needed. (The M.D will GPS this location, but the approach must be developed!)

Please contact the M.D. of Bonnyville GIS Dept. @ 780-826-3171 to obtain your Rural Address!