



In order to maintain safe conditions for pedestrians throughout the community, the Village of Fall River is implementing a sidewalk inspection and repair program. Village officials will be inspecting sidewalks over the next few weeks and marking those sections that are considered deficient under Village Ordinance 6-2-2(f). A sidewalk exhibiting any of the following characteristics may be considered in need of repair or replacement:

1. Three-fourths (3/4) inch or more vertical differential between adjacent individual sidewalk blocks (crack in slab).
2. Three-fourths (3/4) inch horizontal distance between adjacent individual sidewalk blocks.
3. Deterioration of the surface to a vertical depth of one-half (1/2) inch or more within each individual sidewalk block.
4. Cracked blocks (regardless of the width of the crack) on either side of the block that is defective per these specifications.
5. Poles, trees or other objects creating hazards.
6. Sidewalk sections which are out of conformance with design grade to the degree that water excessively ponds.
7. Broken comers which are greater than three (3) inches in any dimension.
8. Blocks deemed to be unsafe because of surface deterioration.
9. Sidewalk blocks which were previously found to be defective upon subsequent inspection.

Deficient sidewalk sections will be marked with a dot of spray paint. It is the property owner's responsibility to make necessary repairs. The Village is not imposing a deadline for repairs at this time, but property owners should begin making arrangements to have deficient sidewalk sections repaired or replaced to bring them into compliance with Village requirements. Ultimately, State Statutes and Village Ordinance allow the Village to make repairs and assess the cost back to property owners. The Village Board will consider this action for repairs not made by September 1 of next year.

The Village intends to continue this inspection program on a regular basis in the future. Your cooperation in helping maintain safe sidewalks is greatly appreciated. Please see Village Ordinance Section 6-2-2(f) for more information, or call Village Hall at (920) 484-3525. Ordinances may be viewed at www.fallriverwi.com.