



Westminster

FAST FACTS

1. Sample Addresses:

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6355 Westminster Drive
Box 1270, Lambeth, P.O.
Westminster, Ontario
N0L 1S0

or,

A. C. Apple
3077 White Oak Road
R.R. #1, London P.O.
Westminster, Ontario
N6E 1L7

2. The Town of Westminster will assist, if requested, to erect house numbers for senior citizens of the Town.

3. Town staff are in the process of sorting property identification signs as they arrive from the supplier. You will be contacted by phone when the signs are available for pick-up.

4. Town Council has removed the fine (penalty) clause from the MAS by-law to assist property-owners during the transition period. This clause will be inserted at a later date.

5. If you are a tenant and have not yet received your municipal address please contact your landlord/property owner immediately.

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WHY IS WESTMINSTER IMPLEMENTING A NEW MUNICIPAL ADDRESSING SYSTEM (MAS)?

The Town Council decided that an overall system of property identification was needed for all properties in the urban areas. Residents had approached members of Council and staff indicating that with the changes in the community it was more and more difficult for people to locate where people lived. More people were using courier services, direct home deliveries were difficult as fewer people knew who was living in their neighbourhoods and a better system was needed to give direction to those who wished to locate people in various parts of the Town. The fact that it was no longer a requirement to have names on mailboxes also created problems. Rather than have a series of piece meal systems in different parts of the Town, the decision was made that a general system be applied across the Town as a whole.

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WHAT PARTS OF THE TOWN ARE AFFECTED BY THE NEW ADDRESSING SYSTEM?

All parts of the Town are affected by the new system in one way or another. In some cases, only the need for certain standard size numbers to be affixed to the house affects the resident. In other cases, for the first time a municipal property number was assigned to the property. In yet other cases, a street name was assigned to the legal description of a roadway on which the property fronts and a municipal number was given for the first time to the property.

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WHY ARE PARTS OF THE LAMBETH AREA EXEMPT FROM THE NEW ADDRESSING SYSTEM?

The urban area of Lambeth is not entirely exempt from the MAS program. For the first time, property owners will be required to erect house numbers on the front of their homes to facilitate property identification. Secondly, some street names were changed in an effort to delete the duplication of street names in the City of London. The changes may seem minor but are an important element of the MAS program.

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WHEN CAN I START USING MY NEW MUNICIPAL ADDRESS?

Effective immediately, all residents can start to use their new municipal addresses for personal purposes. In the interim, the MAS program is very much in a transition period with the last day for implementation being January 1, 1990. The Town is currently processing resident's applications for property identification signs and has commenced with the placement of these signs if requested, as deliveries are made by the supplier.

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WHERE DID THE NEW STREET NAMES ORIGINATE?

In the early 1980's Council requested the Westminster Historical Society to suggest names that would be useful as new streets were created within the Town. Thru suggestions from the Historical Society and names recommended by Councils over the years, a list of potential new road names was developed. During Town meetings and during the public meetings held on the municipal addressing system additional input and suggestions for street names were received by Council.

A decision was made early in the program that the option to assign a number to a street such as 5th Avenue, 33rd Street would not be used as the identification method.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING
PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE MEETING O

FROM 4:00 p.