

Rice County

Facts about Changing your Address



Project Background – Over 8,000 address signs in Rice County vary in design, color, size and location. Emergency service providers cited a multitude of examples where finding the proper location for a call was problematic and subsequently delayed their response time. The project also involves addresses that need to be changed because they are out of sequence or do not adhere to the guidelines in the [Rice County Uniform Name and Numbering System](#) and the recommendations of the National Emergency Number Association (NENA- <http://www.nena.org/>).

Effective date – We anticipate implementing your new address to be effective April 15, 2012. Rice County will notify the US Post Office and Emergency Dispatch Center of this transition.

Post Office – the county will send address updates to the post office. The post office will deliver to old addresses up to one year from time of change.

Driver's licenses – are not required to change. The Attorney General's office responded that there is an exemption for getting a new driver's license when there is a change of address because of community address change. Changes can be completed during the license renewal process. Be mindful of your renewal date. The courtesy reminder letter from the state may not be received because of your address change.

Passport – do NOT need to be changed. Response from Passport Agency states that the address is NOT associated with the passport itself. It's only associated with the application in the event you are waiting for the newly issued passport in the mail. There is a page inside the passport in which the owner can print/change the address. This has no association to the actual passport filing.

Marriage licenses – per the County Recorder, there are NO changes needed, unless someone applied and is waiting for the new license to come in the mail. Then he/she should file new address.

Recorder's Office – per the County Recorder, there are NO changes needed. All information is filed by legal description, including deeds to a house.

Home/Property mortgages – Because of the multiple mortgage companies and banks, Rice County suggests the owner inquire with their own mortgage company.

Titles - Vehicle, boat, etc. – addresses can be changed during the annual renewal license tab process. Be mindful of your tab renewal date. The courtesy reminder letter from the state may not be received because of your address change.