



TOWN OF HOPKINTON
18 Main Street
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COVID-19 Updates & Precautions
February 8, 2021 update

Previous updates and additional information and resources can be found here:
<https://coronavirus-hopkintonma.hub.arcgis.com/>

As of 2/6/21, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 684 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 31 of those cases are active, with 636 recoveries and 17 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#) which is updated frequently.

LOCAL (Hopkinton) vaccination clinic information - REMINDER

On Sunday 2/7/21 Hopkinton released a special update with local vaccine information. Only Phase 1 and 75+ year old residents are eligible for vaccines at this time. [Click here to read more](#)

General Massachusetts Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line - NEW UPDATE

Governor Baker has announced a new call center to help residents 75 and older more easily schedule an appointment if they do not have internet or are unable to use the website at www.mass.gov/COVIDVaccine. The COVID-19 Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line is a dedicated telephone line available to residents 75 and older. The call center will be staffed with over 500 representatives who can provide live phone support to assist residents with booking an appointment. The line will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Live call center workers will be available in English and Spanish, and 100 additional languages will be available through translators. Call center workers will have the same access to appointments that users will see on the public website.

The line can be accessed by dialing 2-1-1 and selecting the prompt for "Help Scheduling a Vaccine Appointment." Residents may have to wait on the line given expected high call volume. Once connected with a representative, the caller will be asked to confirm he/she is 75 or older and either has no internet access or otherwise cannot use the website to book an appointment. Call-takers will then use the state's COVID-19 vaccine site map to find nearby locations and determine whether appointments are available. If no appointments are available within a distance the caller can travel, then callers will be offered the chance to be placed on a call-back list for the mass vaccination sites. Residents will receive a call-back as appointments become available at these sites. Due to high demand and limited supply, callers may experience significant wait times. The Administration will monitor wait times and make necessary adjustments.

Temporary Occupancy Restrictions - NEW UPDATE

Given recent improvements in COVID-19 data in the state, some of the recent temporary occupancy restrictions in sectors listed below are being lifted. These changes were effective this morning; Monday February 8th at 5:00 a.m.

(Details on next page)

Summary of Announcement –

1. Lifting 25% Capacity Restriction –

1. All businesses in the list below, currently limited to 25% capacity, will return to 40% capacity, as previously allowed. (The sector-specific industry standards dated in December 2020 will apply.)

- Arcades and Recreational Businesses
- Driving and Flight Schools
- Gyms/Health Clubs
- Libraries
- Museums
- Retail
- Offices
- Places of Worship
- Lodging (common areas)
- Golf (indoor areas)
- Movie theaters (no more than 50 people per theater)

2. Restaurants will now be limited to 40% of their seated capacity and, as under the 25% capacity rule, employees will not count toward the limit

3. Close Contact Personal Services will now be limited to 40% capacity and, as under the 25% capacity rule, employees will be not count toward the limit

- A limit of 5 people per 1000 sq. feet applies for smaller businesses without an available fire occupancy capacity

4. There continues to be no capacity limits on manufacturing, construction, and laboratories—these sectors have never had capacity limits

2. Gatherings Order

1. The gatherings limit will stay at 10 indoors, 25 outdoors

3. The Commonwealth remains in Phase 3 Step 1 of Reopening (Order No. 58)

1. indoor performance venues and indoor recreation businesses like roller rinks and trampoline parks remain closed

4. All changes are effective Monday February 8th at 5:00 AM

Hopkinton Town Hall reopened to the public as of Monday August 10th. Appointments are required due to the state's COVID-19 limits on building occupancy: [click here for more information](#). All town departments are open for business and many transactions can be completed online. We are available via phone and email to assist during regular business hours. A full Town Directory can be [found here](#). A box at the front door of Town Hall may be used to drop off correspondence, applications, etc., and they may also be mailed or emailed.

Please remember to practice social distancing, wear a face covering, wash your hands often, and be safe.

Hopkinton also posts frequently on social media. Our Twitter is the best place to keep up with all happenings Hopkinton. You don't need an account to see our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/HopkintonMA>

Complete list of Emergency Orders and Guidance from Mass.gov

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency>