



**TOWN OF HOPKINTON**  
**18 Main Street**  
**Hopkinton, MA 01748**

## **COVID-19 Updates & Precautions**

### **June 22, 2020 update**

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

While Town Hall and municipal buildings are physically closed to the public, we are open for business. Many transactions can be completed online, and 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. As we work on plans to reopen Town Hall and other municipal buildings, we are prioritizing efforts to keep the community safe and help our local businesses reopen.

As of 6/21/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 125 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 6 of those cases are active, with 106 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#)

#### **Reopening Massachusetts - NEW UPDATE**

On Friday June 19th, [Governor Baker announced that Step 2 of Phase 2](#) of the four phased approach to [reopening Massachusetts](#) would begin today, Monday 6/22/2020. Step 2 of Phase 2 allows for Indoor table service at restaurants, close contract personal services, retail dressing room (by appointment only) and Offices at 50 percent capacity.

Before these sectors can resume operations under the guidelines, businesses must meet all safety standards, create a COVID-19 control plan, and complete a self-certification.

When can my business reopen?

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-when-can-my-business-reopen>

#### **Massachusetts launches a revamped Covid-19 testing website - NEW UPDATE**

The new testing website can be accessed here: <https://www.mass.gov/GetTested>

Full press release: <https://www.mass.gov/news/baker-polito-administration-launches-new-testing-website>

#### **COVID-19 Health Equity Advisory Group Recommendations Released - NEW UPDATE**

To address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color and marginalized populations, the Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Health Equity Advisory Group today released specific recommendations to inform the state's ongoing COVID-19 pandemic response. [Click here to read the Press Release.](#)

**FDA advises consumers not to use hand sanitizers made with methanol (toxic) - NEW UPDATE**

FDA advises consumers not to use any hand sanitizer manufactured by Eskbiochem SA de CV in Mexico, due to the potential presence of methanol (wood alcohol), a substance that can be toxic when absorbed through the skin or ingested. [More info here.](#)

**Annual Town Meeting:**

At their scheduled meeting on Tue 6/16/2020 the Hopkinton Select Board set the date of Annual Town Meeting, to be held on September 21, 2020.

**Annual Town Election rescheduled to be held on June 29, 2020:**

[Click here for more info](#) // [Click here for Vote by Mail FAQ's](#)  
[Click here to review the Specimen Ballot](#)

**Parks / fields / playgrounds:**

Town athletic fields are now open under certain guidelines. [More info can be found here.](#) Playgrounds at Sandy Beach, the Center School and EMC are open to the public. Face coverings are required when social distancing isn't practical. Playground signage listing the use requirements will be posted soon.

**Hopkinton Temporary Outdoor Dining Rules and Regulations:**

Anticipating the reopening of restaurants for customer seating outdoors, the Select Board adopted [Temporary Outdoor Dining Rules and Regulations](#) at its meeting on June 2. Restaurants must comply with the State's COVID-19 requirements, and the Town will expedite and streamline its associated review process. [Click here for guidelines.](#)

Business owners / managers: [Click here for the application](#)

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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>