



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

## **COVID-19 Updates & Precautions** **May 27, 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. Parks, Playgrounds and Playing Fields are closed.

As of 9:00 a.m. on 5/27/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 115 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 14 of those cases are active, with 88 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#):

### **Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 weekly Dashboard - NEW UPDATE**

Weekly update released on Wednesdays -

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/covid-19-dashboard-may-27-2020/download>

### **Sandy Beach:**

At present, in accordance with the Commonwealth's guidance, residents are permitted to walk the access road to the beach, socially distanced and with a mask if social distancing cannot be performed. Residents can walk the beach (transitory activity only).

The beach will not be staffed with life guards until late June, the exact date is yet to be determined. Bathrooms will not be unlocked and water testing will not be conducted until the beach is staffed. Swim at your own risk.

### **Hopkinton Senior Center:**

The Senior Center, with a grant from the MetroWest Health Foundation, has begun a limited take-out lunch program (Tuesday - Friday) for Hopkinton seniors, particularly those who are homebound and/or have relied on the Center for their daily main meal in the past. While we have limited quantities, if you know of a senior who might benefit from this program please call the Senior Center at 508-497-9730. Cost is \$2 per meal.

**Reopening Massachusetts:**

Governor Baker’s [Reopening Advisory Board](#) released a significant amount of new information and guidance on Monday May 18, 2020. Some additional businesses are allowed to open [during phase 1](#), although specific standards must be met by these businesses prior to being allowed to reopen.

Businesses operating to provide Essential Services, as defined in the Governor's March 23, 2020 Executive Order, updated on March 31, April 28 and May 15, may remain open and have until May 25, 2020 to comply with these [mandatory safety standards](#). In addition to the mandatory safety standards, All businesses must meet these standards before reopening:

- [COVID-19 control plan template](#) – Template that satisfies the written control plan requirement for self-certification
- [Compliance attestation poster](#) – Poster that customer facing businesses are required to print, sign, and post in an area within the business premises that is visible to workers and visitors
- [Employer and Worker posters](#) – Posters that businesses can print and display within the business premises to describe the rules for maintaining social distancing, hygiene protocols, and cleaning and disinfecting.

When can my business reopen?

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

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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>