



TOWN OF HOPKINTON
18 Main Street
Hopkinton, MA 01748

COVID-19 Updates & Precautions September 30, 2020 update

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

Hopkinton Town Hall reopened to the public as of Monday August 10th. Appointments are required: [click here for more information](#). All town departments 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 of 9/29/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 145 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 4 of those cases are active, with 128 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#).

Town Hall Reopening Plan:

Town Hall is open to the public **by appointment only**. This is due to the state's COVID-19 limits on building occupancy. [Click here for more information](#).

Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 weekly Public Health Report- NEW UPDATE

The Weekly COVID-19 Public Health Report includes enhanced, more granular information to be updated on a weekly, or biweekly basis, including town-by-town case and testing information, cases and deaths in Long Term Care Facilities, updates on nursing facility audit results, and more.

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-public-health-report-september-30-2020/download>

Transition to Step II of Phase III for Lower Risk Communities Effective October 5th - NEW UPDATE

Effective Monday, October 5th, lower risk communities will be permitted to move into Step II of Phase III of the Commonwealth's reopening plan. More information can be found [here](#). Stay tuned for additional updates

Hopkinton Public Schools - NEW UPDATE

The Hopkinton Public Schools request that community members do not access our courts and fields during the regular school day. At the High School/Middle School complex, that time period is from 7:00AM to 2:00PM.

While the Public Schools are typically willing to share our spaces, during the pandemic we will be needing to access those outdoor areas with much more frequency, not only for physical education classes, but also for mask breaks and outdoor instruction in other content areas. In an effort to keep our kids safe, we must limit their contact with others.

Hopkinton Public Library Reopening:

The library building is now open to the public, on a limited pilot basis, on weekday afternoons. Visit our website at www.hopkintonlibrary.org for more information.

Some important notes:

- Please bring your library card with you to check out materials.
- The building is currently available **for quick browsing only**. We are not able to provide work/study spaces or computer use at this time. Please plan to limit your visit to 30 minutes or less.
- People who are entering the building as a group should be members of the same household. We strongly encourage solo browsing.

The library is also pleased to announce that the drop box for item returns will now be open 24/7. Returned materials are placed in quarantine and may take several days to be checked in; you may receive additional system notifications during this time. We are forgiving all overdue fines on returned items at check-in.

Hopkinton Youth and Family Services:

We would like any resident seeking the INTERFACE Referral Service for connection to outpatient behavioral health care to temporarily use their second line 617-332-3666 to reach them. The toll free number is experiencing technical problems and until it is resolved the local number should be used. You can find more resources from Hopkinton Youth and Family Services [by clicking here](#).

Means-tested senior (tax) exemption program:

The deadline to submit the application for the Hopkinton Means Tested Senior Exemption is typically August 31st. Since some individuals may not have filed their State Tax Return yet (and the CB form that is a requirement for this exemption) we have extended the filing deadline this year to September 30, 2020 for the Means Tested Senior Exemption application. [Click here for the application form](#). You may [contact the Assessor's Office](#) if you have any questions.

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>