

Town of Middlebury
Emergency Management Bulletin
June 15, 2021

It's Over

For those in Vermont, you heard the Governor announce yesterday that all restrictions in the Emergency Order and its addendums have been lifted. At midnight tonight the Emergency Order terminates. While we are still engaged in a global pandemic, the necessity for emergency orders has passed thanks to your conscientious efforts at slowing and stopping the spread.

With this the Middlebury Selectboard Policy on a mask requirement has likewise ended.

We're not totally out of the woods yet, so you may want to consider the following:

- The Delta variant of COVID is running rampant throughout Europe and the sub-continent. For those who have been vaccinated, in the event an infection takes hold, the symptoms are minor or asymptomatic. For those without their vax the infection is far more contagious, the illness builds rapidly and is far more intense.
- VDH will continue to run VAX clinics and testing. Go to healthvermont.gov for schedules. Eventually this will transition to physician's offices.
- It's travel time- in and out of Vermont. For those outbound, keep in mind that no other state or nation has achieved the level of vaccination that Vermont has; for those engaging people from away, they are coming from areas where the VAX rate is lower than Vermont.
- Some businesses may still ask you to wear a mask for entry in spite of Vermont's opening. Please respect their request, they may have many reasons for this including protection of their workers or as a preventive measure when dealing with those not vaccinated.

With the end of Emergency Orders, this will be the final of the 229 Middlebury EMD bulletins issued since the Emergency Orders went into effect 15 months ago. Of course, they will resume should there be a sudden turn for the worse. Continuing information can be obtained through media sources or the VEM.Vermont.Gov or [Health Vermont.gov](https://Health.Vermont.gov) websites.

THE END (at long last!)