



TOWN OF HOPKINTON
18 Main Street
Hopkinton, MA 01748

COVID-19 Updates & Precautions **November 12, 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** 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.

As of 11/11/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 188 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 12 of those cases are active, with 163 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#) which is updated frequently.

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-november-12-2020/download> **

**A description of the new color metrics scale that went into effect last week can be found on Page 27; the new scale contains different rating metrics based on population size.

Town Hall Offices Physically Closed on Friday 11/13 - REMINDER

Town Hall will be physically closed on Friday 11/13/2020 due to planned maintenance and replacement of a backup power generator. Since appointments are required for physical access to Town Hall - we will be accepting no appointments for Friday 11/13. However, all town departments will be open for business and available just as they were during the times when Town Hall was physically closed due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Governor Baker Announces Targeted Measures To Curb Rising COVID-19 Cases:

The Baker-Polito Administration announced a series of targeted measures to disrupt the increasing trend of new COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations. Governor Charlie Baker announced these changes at a time where public health data has indicated that cases are rising, with cases up by 278% and hospitalizations up by 145% since Labor Day. These measures are meant to disrupt rising trends now, so the Commonwealth can keep the economy and schools open for residents and to prevent the need to roll back to Phase I or Phase II of the reopening plan. These New Orders & Advisories were issued on Monday 11/2/2020 and went into effect Friday 11/6/2020.

*See the top of page 2 for a listing and links:

1. [Stay At Home Advisory](#)
2. [Early Closure of Businesses and Activities](#)
3. [Face Covering Order](#)
4. [Gatherings Order](#)

More information can be found [here](#)

Hopkinton Freedom Team:

During COVID-19, individuals may be experiencing much more anxiety inside and outside of their homes. Signs of the divisiveness of the country have been felt here in Hopkinton. The recently formed Hopkinton Freedom Team's mission is "preserving freedom through unity in the community." Its members meet monthly to explore ways of offering dialogue and support to individuals and the entire community with a goal of promoting love, inclusion and trust - "LIT" and moving beyond tolerance to embracing, celebrating and sharing our community's diversity. Anyone who has witnessed or experienced bias-motivated threats, harassment or violence may call the Town of Hopkinton Hotline at 774-278-4455 or contact the Freedom Team at info@hopkintonfreedomteam.org. The hotline will be monitored by the Hopkinton Police Department. While not every incident will be appropriate for legal action, the Hopkinton Police will work closely with the Hopkinton Freedom Team to support victims and educate where appropriate. For more information about the Freedom Team, go to www.hopkintonfreedomteam.org or FB [@hopkintonfreedomteam](https://www.facebook.com/hopkintonfreedomteam).

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>