

Emergency Order of the Holliston Board of Health Regarding Practices to Prevent Spread of Infectious Respiratory Droplets

In light of the recent increase in the COVID-19 Virus Delta Variant, which has been proven to be significantly more transmissible, the Holliston Board of Health is issuing the following Emergency Order Regarding Practices to Prevent the Spread of Infectious Respiratory Droplets, pursuant to its authority under M.G.L. c. 111, §104:

1. Masking Indoors

- a. All members of the public ages 5 and up, shall wear a mask over their mouth and nose except as stated in Section 2 (Exceptions) below, whenever entering into the inside of any municipal building or office. This includes and is not limited to Town Hall, Holliston Public Library, 1750 Washington Street, Police Department, Fire Department, and Department of Public Works.
- b. Municipal employees shall wear a mask when engaging with the public indoors.
- c. All unvaccinated employees shall wear a mask while inside all municipal buildings or offices.

2. Exceptions

The mask requirement shall not apply in the following circumstances:

- a. Where a person is unable to wear a mask covering due to a medical or disabling condition;
- b. Where a mask would impede communication by or with a person who has a hearing or speech impairment or other disability;
- c. While eating or drinking during designated lunch or snack periods.
- d. This shall not apply to Anthony's on the Green restaurant or the Pinecrest Golf Club facility.

3. Term and Termination

- a. This order shall go into effect as of September 7, 2021 at 12:01 am. It shall remain in effect until at least October 1, 2021.
- b. The decision to rescind shall be based upon a periodic review of existing conditions by the Board of Health.

4. Enforcement

- a. The Board of Health, or its designated agent pursuant to M.G.L. c. 111, §30, are authorized to enforce this Order.
- 5. Effective Date of Order: September 7, 2021

Agreed and Accepted:

Thomas Ellis, Chair, Board of Health

Date 8/31/2021