



# Town of Boxford

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Boxford, Massachusetts  
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## Board of Health

### EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH REQUIRING FACE COVERINGS ISSUED 1 September 2021

Whereas the COVID-19 pandemic is resurging in Boxford and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Boxford Board of Health has determined that there is again need for face coverings inside public spaces to help limit the spread of the virus.

Therefore, pursuant to MGL Chapter 111 §§ 31 and 127A, and all other authorizing statutes and regulations, the Board of Health of Boxford, Massachusetts issues the following Order requiring face coverings in town, government, and commercial businesses for the protection of its residents from infection from the disease known as COVID-19.

1. All members of the public entering any town, government, or commercial building, including but not limited to town offices, post offices, stores, and restaurants, must wear a single piece face covering, such as a fabric mask, scarf, or bandana; that covers the entire nose and mouth area.
2. When dealing with the public, all employees of all town, and government offices; and all employees of commercial businesses, must wear face masks covering the mouth and nose, and must maintain, as possible a minimum six foot distance from co-workers and the public. Restaurant and food handling workers must also wear disposable gloves at all times. Dispatchers in the Boxford Communications Center are exempt from wearing face masks in the Center.
3. Face masks are not necessary for town employees who do not interact with the Public or other town employees and work in a singular location, such as at a desk in a private office.
4. Whoever violates any provision of this Order may be penalized by a noncriminal disposition process as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, section 21D and the Town's non-criminal disposition by-law, Section 1-5 of the Code of the Town of Boxford. If non-criminal disposition is elected, then any person who violates any provision of this Regulation shall be issued one warning. A second and subsequent violation will be subject to a penalty in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each violation. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense. If more than one, each condition violated shall constitute a separate offense.
5. This Emergency Order shall be effective beginning on **2 September 2021** at 8:00 AM, and shall remain in effect until notice is given that the public health emergency no longer exists.
6. To the extent necessary, this Emergency Order shall be enforced by Board of Health officials and Boxford Police Officers, as agents for the Board of Health.
7. A sign notifying the public of this order shall be posted in a visible location at all building entrances for those buildings covered by this order.

By Order of the Board of Health.