

COVID-19 Restrictions Lifted

Reopening Task Force Update

- On May 17, 2021, Governor Baker announced the lifting of all remaining COVID-19 restrictions effective May 29, 2021
- Governor Baker also announced the end of the State of Emergency on June 15, 2021
- **Task Force recommends that Dighton remains consistent and in alignment with state protocols.**

Municipal Building Protocols, effective May 29th

- Plexiglas barriers recommended to remain in place
- Capacity restrictions lifted in all municipal building spaces
- Council on Aging (COA)/Prime Time plan to be developed with COA Director
- Library continues offering curbside pickup
- Masks not required in municipal buildings. Non-vaccinated employees/residents required to wear masks in line with CDC guidance



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Municipal Building Protocols, effective May 29th (continued)

- Employee screening sheets recommended to be discontinued
- All employees/residents are reminded to exercise caution when experiencing any flu-like symptoms. As is the case with any person experiencing symptoms, it is always recommended to stay home to avoid exposing others while at work.
- No gathering of information of municipal building visitors for contact tracing
- Employees, residents and visitors encouraged to continue healthy practices (i.e. cleaning of desks, individual office space, frequent handwashing and social distancing)



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Continued Priority on COVID-19 Cleaning Protocols

Current cleaning protocols include 5x/week cleaning at Police Station; 4x/week at Town Hall & Old Town Hall; 2x/week Highway Department; 1x/week Library and Prime Time

New recommendations include:

- 5x/week cleaning at Police Station
- 2x/week cleaning at Town Hall, Old Town Hall, and Highway Department
- 1x/week cleaning at Library and Prime Time*



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Capacity Protocols, effective May 29th (continued)

- All industries/activities permitted to proceed. Capacity will increase to 100% and gathering limits will be rescinded
- This includes municipal building spaces for public and town meetings
 - Seating template for Old Town Hall & Lower Conference Room meetings
 - Town Meeting at D-R Regional High School on Monday, June 7, 2021



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Public Meeting Protocols

- Under current law, public meetings/hearings will need to be held in-person effective June 15, 2021. Governor Baker has filed legislation to extend Executive Order to September 1, 2021
- Expected that Board/Committee/Commission members participate in-person
- Anticipate continuation of Zoom meetings; Old Town Hall audio/visual technology being upgraded, next is Town Hall Lower Conference Room
- Coordination between Town and Cable Committee; Board/Committee/Commission Zoom training and tutorials



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Other related issues

- End of FFCRA time extension planned for June 15, 2021 to coincide with expiration of Governor's Executive Orders
- Communities not lifting local state of emergencies at this time

