



GATHERING ORDER INFORMATION

As of August 26, 2020 the City of Framingham is categorized as "**higher risk**" community for COVID-19.

The Framingham Public Health Department strongly discourages hosting or attending gatherings.

Please Remember:



Require face coverings for all persons over the age of 2 (unless they are prevented from wearing a face covering by a medical or disabling condition).



Ensure participants remain at least 6 feet apart from non-household members

Failure to comply with the requirements above may result in enforcement actions, including fines up to \$500 per violation and legal proceedings.



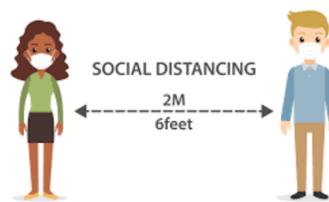
Instruct guest to stay home if they are sick



Encourage and promote hand washing



Disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared items (door knobs, tables, etc.)



Discourage activities that involve close contact and shared equipment



Restrict guests to outdoors. If guests are inside increase ventilation indoors.



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The City of Framingham has been recategorized as a “**higher-risk**” community for COVID-19 as of August 26, 2020. While Governor Baker signed an order restricting gatherings held on private properties to a specific number, the Framingham Public Health Department strongly discourages hosting or attending gatherings.

On August 7, 2020, Governor Baker signed an order restricting gatherings held on private properties. If you choose to hold a private event on your property, you are now mandated to:

- **Ensure participants of indoor and outdoor gatherings remain at least 6 feet apart from non-household members.**
- **Require face coverings for all persons over the age of 2, where more than 10 people from different households will be in attendance (unless they are prevented from wearing a face covering by a medical or disabling condition).**

Failure to comply with the requirements above may result in enforcement actions, including fines up to \$500 per violation and legal proceedings.

The Framingham Department of Public Health strongly encourages you to also implement the following:

- **Instruct guests to stay home if they are sick or experiencing Covid-19 related symptoms (Covid-19 symptoms may be found in the website provided below).**
- **Encourage hand hygiene. Promote hand washing by providing access to warm running water, soap, and paper towels. Providing hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol is encouraged but proper hand washing is best.**
- **Routinely disinfect high-touch surfaces and shared items (door knobs, tables, chairs, etc.).**
- **Discourage activities that involve close contact and shared equipment.**
- **Restrict guests to the outdoors if possible. If guests need to be inside, then increase ventilation (open windows, fans, etc.).**

We understand that this is a difficult time for everyone. By taking necessary precautions, you can help reduce the spread of Covid-19 and its impact on our City. You can find more information on Covid-19 at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health website (<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-updates-and-information>). COVID-19 Order No. 46 (Revised Gatherings Order August 7, 2020) can be found here <https://www.mass.gov/doc/revised-gatherings-order-august-7-2020/download>.

If you have any questions please call the Framingham Department of Public Health at 508-532-5470. Thank you for your cooperation.