



Board of Health

Bolton, Massachusetts 01740

January 14, 2022

In response to the increased positive cases of Covid-19 in the Town of Bolton and the State of Massachusetts, the Bolton Board of Health at their January 14, 2022 meeting has implemented an emergency mandate that masks or face coverings be worn by all persons regardless of vaccination status while in an indoor public space, municipal building, houses of worship or a private location which is also open to the public. Employees and staff not interacting with the general public and not involved in the preparation of food and beverages and people consuming food and/or beverages are excluded from this mandate, assuming state/CDC guidelines are being followed. The purpose of this mandate is to help reduce the spread of Covid-19.

This regulation will go into effect at 12:01am on Monday January 17, 2022 and expires on Monday, February 28th, 2022 at 12:01am.

Per the State of Massachusetts, the following information has been issued for when you wear a cloth mask, it should:

- Cover your nose and mouth,
- Fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face,
- Be secured with ties or ear loops,
- Include multiple layers of fabric,
- Allow for breathing without restriction, and
- Be able to be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape.

When putting on and taking off a mask, do not touch the front of it, you should only handle the ties or ear straps, and make sure you wash the cloth mask regularly. Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer after touching the mask.

Cloth masks should not be placed on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

The Board of Health appreciate your understanding and corporation to keep our residents safe from the ongoing spread of Covid-19

Christopher Rogers, Bolton BOH Chair