



TOWN OF WESTWOOD
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Weekly Update as of 8.13.20

Visit Westwood's Coronavirus [website](#) for daily updates
Health Department COVID-19 Case Update

Total confirmed cases in Massachusetts: 113,517
Total cases in Norfolk County: 9,179
Total documented cases in Westwood: 141 (+1)
New Cases in MA today: 319

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is now reporting COVID-19 cases by city and town. This information is updated each week on Wednesday and is available for your viewing [here](#). In addition, daily updates and information about COVID-19 and necessary precautions continue to be available on the [MDPH COVID-19 website](#).

A message from the Health Director:

This week, the Town added 1 new confirmed case of COVID-19. We are currently monitoring 2 active COVID-19 cases in Westwood. Our percent positive test average is currently 1.04% over the last 14 days. During that same two week timeline, 578 COVID-19 tests were administered to Westwood residents and 6 tests were identified as positive.

The Commonwealth released a new color coded map to more easily identify how communities are doing in managing the virus. The designated colors White, Green, Yellow, and Red coincide with the average daily case rate over the previous 14 days on a weighted scale per 100,000 people. Westwood is currently identified as Green which means per 100,000 people we have less than 4 positive cases in the last 14 days. The per 100,000 people scale was implemented to allow for comparisons in rates to be made across towns with different populations. A color change to Yellow or Red means cases are rising and community spread may be occurring.

The CDC has released COVID-19 guidelines for summer gatherings.

Before you schedule any gatherings or functions, please [review their guidelines](#).

A note from Dedham-Westwood Water

Mandatory Outside Watering Restrictions are further increased effective Wednesday August 12, 2020 due to lack of sufficient rainfall and the necessity to shut off Well 5 due to low Neponset River flow. Customers may water lawns in Dedham only on Thursdays and in Westwood only on Tuesdays until further notice. The hours of watering on permitted day are limited to 6-9am and 6-9pm. Hand-held hoses may be used at any time to water flowers or vegetables. The cooperation of our customers is greatly appreciated. Questions should be directed to our Customer Service Office at 781-329-7090.



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