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## **Board of Health Order Requiring Face Coverings in Municipal Buildings**

Whereas cases of COVID-19 have been rapidly increasing in the Town of Westwood due to the highly contagious Omicron variant, the Board of Health deems an intervention necessary in order to better protect the health of municipal employees and visitors to municipal buildings.

Pursuant to M.G.L Chapter 111 sections 31 and 122, the Westwood Board of Health adopts a public health mandate effective January 13, 2022 at 12:01AM requiring a face covering be worn over the nose and mouth of any individual who enters any municipal building for any purpose. This requirement is in effect for all individuals regardless of their vaccination status.

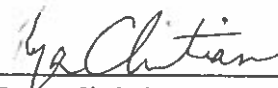
This mandate applies to all individuals aged 5 years and older except where an individual is unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition or disability. Municipal employees may remove their face covering if they work alone in a private office or are spaced at least six feet apart from others in a shared office space.

This order shall be in place from 12:01 AM on January 13, 2022 until 11:59 PM on February 27, 2022 unless rescinded or modified by the Board of Health.

Any violation of this regulation is punishable by non-criminal disposition as provided by M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21 D. A written warning shall be issued for the first offense. For two or more violations a fine of up to \$300 per violation per day may be issued.

Fines shall be issued by the Westwood Board of Health or its designated Agents.

January 11, 2022

  
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