

Good evening,

This is a message from the Marblehead Health Department. As COVID-19 surges in Massachusetts, and with the peak estimated to be April 18th, now is the time that we must act. Through social distancing individuals can still make a difference and help stem the spread of this virus. We are taking the following precautions to try and flatten the curve for the best possible outcomes.

The Marblehead Transfer Station will be closed the next two Saturdays, April 11 and April 18.

The Causeway will be closed to all foot traffic. This includes walking in the roadway and on the wall on either side of the street! Temporary No Parking will be posted in the areas of Ocean Ave, Harbor Ave, Flint St. and Beach Street will begin tomorrow, Friday April 10.

We ask that everyone using the rail trail do their best to maintain social distancing and to walk/run/ride single file when passing others!

As this rapidly evolving situation progresses and the COVID-19 case count continues to escalate locally and statewide, the Town may be forced to enact further measures and closures. We will be enforcing the Governors Order that all Non-Essential Businesses are to be closed and will issue fines of up to \$300.00 per violation. We would like to remind everyone that no one should conduct a private business on Town Property.

The CDC recommends the use of simple cloth face coverings as a voluntary public health measure in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies).

Only leave your house for essential needs like groceries, medication and medical appointments.

You can still go outside to get fresh air, however, you must practice social distancing while outside and avoid touching surfaces frequently touched by others. We are asking that you try and stay within your neighborhood.

We are asking people to stay home for the Holidays. If people do a better job with these social distancing rules, the curve will go down. If they don't then they will have increased mortality rates across the state and longer duration.

Stay Home, Stay Safe, Save Lives.

Thank you,