

COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

December 23, 2020:

The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
Positive COVID-19 under isolation	145	(updated 12/23 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	540	
Total tested positive since beginning:	705	
Mansfield Community Designation Level	Red	Red-higher risk Yellow- moderate risk Green- lower risk
Covid-19 Related Deaths	20	Last Covid death in Mansfield 12/17/20

- **Holiday Shopping Reminders for Retailers and Shoppers**

Retailers: This season, help stop the surge with safe store practices for holiday shoppers

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- Follow in-store capacity limits - 50% of building's maximum capacity or up to 10 people/1,000 sq ft*
- Offer appointment-based shopping
- Sanitize between checkouts
- Use distance markings and reminders near registers and line areas
- Place signage reminding about mask mandates on entrances and throughout the store
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Find more materials for municipalities and businesses at mass.gov/Holidays



COVID-19 HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIPS



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HIGH RISK



In-person promotions or holiday activities with large crowds



Carpooling with non-household members to go shopping

MEDIUM RISK



In-person shopping at peak times

LOW RISK



Curbside pickup



Online holiday shopping

Learn more about celebrating safely at [Mass.gov/Holidays](https://www.mass.gov/Holidays)



- **Temporary Revisions to COVID-19 Measures- Saturday December 26**

The Baker-Polito Administration announced further restrictions to help stop the spread of COVID-19 in the Commonwealth, including new capacity and gathering limits. These measures will go into effect on Saturday, December 26 and will remain in effect until noon on January 10, 2021.

- Read a summary of the restrictions [here](#).
- Read the emergency order [here](#).

Capacity Limits

Effective Saturday, December 26, most industries in Massachusetts will be subject to a 25% capacity limit including:

- Restaurants (based on permitted seating capacity)
- Close Contact Personal Services
- Theatres and Performance Venues
- Casinos
- Office Spaces
- Places of Worship
- Retail Businesses
- Driving and Flight Schools
- Golf Facilities (for indoor spaces)
- Libraries
- Lodging (for common areas)
- Arcades and Indoor Recreation Businesses
- Fitness Centers and Health Clubs
- Museums, Cultural Facilities and Guided Tours
- Workers and staff will not count towards the occupancy count for restaurants, places of worship, close contact personal services, and retail businesses.
- All other rules and restrictions in each sector-specific guidance will remain in effect.

Gatherings Limit

Effective Saturday, December 26, the gatherings limits will be updated. Indoor gatherings will be limited to 10 people. Outdoor gatherings will be limited to 25 people outside. The gatherings limit applies to private homes, event venues and public spaces.

Elective Surgeries

The Department of Public Health released updated guidance to hospitals around nonessential, elective invasive procedures. To preserve health care personnel resources, effective 12:01am on December 26, all hospitals are directed to postpone or cancel all nonessential inpatient elective invasive procedures in order to maintain and increase inpatient capacity. Hospitals shall make every effort to preserve their inpatient capacity by cancelling nonessential electives and redeploying staff.

Patients are reminded to still seek necessary care at their hospital or from their health care provider.