

Town of Bar Harbor: Covid Update

April 6, 2020 / 4 pm / Town Manager's Office

The Town of Bar Harbor expects residents and visitors alike to abide by CDC and State recommendations for social distancing, quarantine, isolation, and handwashing. Abiding by these recommendations will help protect our island community.

Today in the Maine CDC briefing Dr. Shah repeated, "The only vaccine we have for this disease is social distancing."

What is Social Distancing? [This CDC link describes best practices.](#)

Covid Transmission Update

MDI Hospital confirmed that they have had two (2) positive tests to date.

As of today 4/6/20, Maine CDC has confirmed two (2) cases in Hancock County.

[Maine Center for Disease Control](#)

Public Safety & Municipal News

The next Town Council meeting will be 4/7 at 4:00 PM on townhallstreams.com or live cable channel 1303. [Click here for the agenda.](#)

Town of Bar Harbor buildings, schools, restrooms, and playgrounds are closed to the public until 4/30.

Police Department: The Town's Police Department is tasked with enforcing the Governor's [Essential Business Mandate](#) to ensure that all non essential businesses are complying with the order to close. Please call the department 288-3391 for more information.

Public Works: Due to the pandemic, the leaf pile located at the public works facility is closed to the public. Please hold onto your leaf and yard materials until the facility is open again. Please do not bring leaf and yard materials to the transfer station for disposal as municipal solid waste. Also, in recent weeks, the transfer station has experienced an uptick in trash being left at the transfer station outside of operating hours. All residents are reminded that it is illegal to dump trash or other waste outside of the transfer station. Refer to municipal code section 109-7.

Town Council, Planning Board, and Design Review Board may hold meetings for regular business via video conference.

If you have purchased a vehicle or trailer in a private sale and need a temporary registration, please [click here](#)

The Town of Bar Harbor is working in conjunction with MDI Hospital, Fire, Police, CDC, and John Lennon, the Bar Harbor Public Health Officer to ensure the safety of the community. This working group is called the Emergency Operations Center or EOC.

The Fire and Police Departments continue to take precautions to limit transmission among emergency personnel.

MDI Hospital

[Drs. Kuffler and Abreu's letter about the seven steps to staying safe](#)

[MDI Hospital is accepting donations of Personal Protective Equipment PPE](#)

MDI Hospital Coronavirus Call Center :If you are having symptoms or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, call your primary care provider. If you do not have one, reach out to our Coronavirus Call Center at 207-801-5900. Calling ahead helps our dedicated health care professionals provide the best possible care and protects those in our community who are most vulnerable.

Remember: **PLEASE CALL AHEAD**

As of 3/27/2020 MDI Hospital has suspended visitation. There are several exceptions, please visit this website to learn more.

[MDI Hospital Covid Updates](#)

Hannaford, Paradis True Value, A&B Naturals

Hannaford:

In an effort to reduce exposure to Covid 19 for all, Hannaford is making changes to in-store practices.

Red hand baskets are no longer in use.

Currently 4/6/2020 there is a daily limit of 2 per customer on the following items:

BUTTER - BABY WIPES - NAPKINS - PAPER TOWELS - HOUSEHOLD CLEANING SUPPLIES - HAND SANITIZER - EGGS - VITAMINS - COUGH & COLD MEDICINE - DISINFECTING SPRAY ALOE - RUBBING ALCOHOL - LIQUID HAND SOAP - FACE MASKS - TOILET PAPER - FLOUR FACIAL TISSUE - PAIN RELIEVERS

At this time, reusable bags are still allowed however management encourages the use of plastic bags as a method of reducing the risk to staff and customers alike.

Carts will be stored outside and there will be a queuing line that will keep customers 6 feet apart.

No more than 50 people are allowed inside the store at any one time, so please limit the number of shoppers per household.

Hannaford asks that you remain behind the plexiglass while in the check out line, and to honor the 6 foot marks on the floors for personal space.

Hannaford has dedicated the hour from 6-7 AM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays as a specific shopping time for our elderly (60 plus) and those who are immunocompromised.

They are open 7 days a week from 7am to 9pm for all other patrons.

Store manager Jay Boyce reports that the quietest times at the store continue to be 10am-2pm and 4pm-9pm.

Additionally, he is noticing that many who come in are single shoppers that are buying a week's worth of groceries or more, and that staff and customers are working hard at social distancing.

He is grateful that shoppers are being so respectful of the many changes.

[Paradis True Value:](#)

Paradis is doing curbside pick-up with ordering and payment processing for those who do not wish to enter the store. When shipments of supplies come in they post to their facebook page to notify customers.

Call 207-288-4995

[A&B Naturals:](#)

A & B Naturals is doing curbside pickup, walk up window purchases, and online orders. Customers are not currently allowed inside the store.

To place orders: call 207-288-8480 /email aandb.order@gmail.com/ or on the website www.aandbnaturals.com

Acadia National Park

[See latest alert from ANP](#)

Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce

Includes resource lists for visitors and businesses

<https://www.visitbarharbor.com/member-center-coronavirus-resources>

School Information: Conners Emerson & MDI High School

The Atlantic Oceanside is providing a **Free Lunch for the students** of families in need, while school provided meals are unavailable lunchinbarharbor.com

<http://www.mdirss.org/>

[Latest email update from Principal Haney MDI Highschool](#)

[Latest email update from Conners Emerson School](#)

[Latest email update from Superintendent Marc Gousse](#)

Mental Health

[National Alliance on Mental Illness Maine](#)

[Maine DHHS - Hotlines/Crisis Numbers](#)

[Crisis Services](#)

Community Resources

[Jon Nicholson and Tony McKim from the The First in Bar Harbor present a explanation of the PPP and EIDBL to help residents and businesses navigate the latest stimulus package](#)

[Jesup Memorial Library](#) educational resources

[Mount Desert 365 Resource Spreadsheet](#) is a resource list for all of MDI

[Project Open: A community spreadsheet letting residents and visitors know what island businesses are open](#)

[Mount Desert Island Community Response](#) is a resource list for all of MDI

[Bar Harbor Food Pantry](#)

[Help Request to MDI Community Helpers](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

[MDI Community Helpers](#)

[Island Connections](#)

Government News & Mandates

[Governor Mills Announces Approval of Federal Disaster Declaration For COVID-19 Response in Maine](#)

April 4, 2020

Governor Janet Mills announced today that the President has approved her [request for a major disaster declaration](#) for the State of Maine, unlocking critical federal assistance for state agencies and municipalities in Maine.

[Read more...](#)

[Governor Mills Issues Executive Order Mandating Quarantine Restrictions on Travelers Arriving in Maine to Protect Public Health and Safety](#)

April 3, 2020

Governor Janet Mills today [issued an Executive Order](#) mandating that travelers arriving in Maine, regardless of their state of residency, self-quarantine for 14 days to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

[Read more...](#)

[The Small Business Association](#) Link to loan and grant forms: EIDBL & PPP

[CDC Guidelines](#)

[Maine CDC](#)

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