

**Town of Auburn, Massachusetts**

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**Notice on Reopening of Auburn's Fields and Parks**

Per the State's Reopening Massachusetts Plan and Governor Baker's announcement that Phase II began Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, the Town has reopened its playgrounds and parks in accordance with all applicable state guidelines and regulations.

Under Phase II of the State's Reopening Plan, limited youth and adult sports may take place with certain restrictions. Playgrounds may also reopen with restrictions. Per the State requirements, no contact sports are allowed, group sizes must not exceed 10 persons, and 6 foot social distancing must be maintained. Face coverings must be worn where social distancing is not possible.

Therefore, please note that as of June 8<sup>th</sup> the following are open with State restrictions:

1. Tennis courts
2. Basketball courts.
3. Playgrounds.
4. Fields (For practices only. No permits will be issued for games. Youth and adult leagues must follow all state guidelines.)

On June 10<sup>th</sup>, the Auburn School Committee voted to reopen the schools' fields, playgrounds and courts, however, as outlined by the Governor and his Reopening Team, the regulations must be followed at school facilities as well as town facilities.

The State regulations can be viewed at:

Youth and Adult Sports <https://www.mass.gov/doc/outdoor-adult-sports-supervised-youth-sports-leagues-summer-sports-camps/download>

Playgrounds <https://www.mass.gov/doc/safety-standards-for-playgrounds-spray-decks-and-outdoor-fitness-areas/download>

Parks <https://www.mass.gov/doc/safety-standards-for-parks-open-space-and-outdoor-education-programs-phase-ii/download>

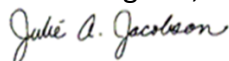
Please note the following regulations:

- All visitors to playgrounds and outdoor fitness areas, including athletic fields and courts, must wear face coverings or masks when individuals cannot maintain 6 feet distance between themselves and others.
- Parents and guardians are responsible to seek alternative facilities if the playground, fields or courts are crowded such that social distancing cannot be maintained.
- Children and adults who feel sick or are recovering from an illness may not visit the playground, courts or fields.
- After visiting public spaces, users would wash their hands or use hand sanitizer.

The Town of Auburn appreciates your cooperation and adherence to the regulations. Please continue to be vigilant and take all precautions when using our fields and playgrounds to keep yourself and your family safe.

Thank you.

Warm Regards,



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