



123RD BOSTON MARATHON®

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Memo to: Hopkinton residents and business owners
From: The Boston Athletic Association
Date: Monday, March 25, 2019
Re: 123rd Boston Marathon, April 15, 2019 – PATRIOTS' DAY

It All Starts Here! On Marathon Monday the town of Hopkinton will host runners from around the world for the 123rd running of the Boston Marathon. Nearly 30,000 participants will cross the start line on their journey to Boston. We congratulate all of the runners who have earned the right to carry on this April tradition!

Once again, the Boston Athletic Association is working with a dedicated team representing Hopkinton – including Hopkinton Police Chief Edward J. Lee, Jr.; Hopkinton Fire Chief Stephen Slaman; Hopkinton Marathon Committee Chair Dorothy Ferriter-Wallace; and Hopkinton Selectmen's Office – and with Massachusetts State Police, Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), and other State and Federal organizations to create an appropriate race day plan that will assure a safe and efficient start for the 2019 Boston Marathon.

Please note that some planning aspects have changed in advance of this year's Boston Marathon. Please read the below items carefully to best understand what to expect on Race Day.

ROAD CLOSINGS

- Roads in Hopkinton will close promptly at 7:00 a.m.
- Streets around Hopkinton Common (Hayden Rowe Street, Ash Street, Park Street, and Main Street) will close at 6:00 a.m.
- Roads used to support the Marathon will be posted NO PARKING. This will be very strictly enforced and vehicular traffic will be restricted.
- Roads are scheduled to reopen no later than 1:30 p.m.
- **Please plan for additional time to get to your intended location.**

ATHLETE AND SPECTATOR SCREENING AREAS

- There will be a series of 'screening zones' established around the Start area and athletes' corrals leading to the Start as well as at all Shuttle service locations.
- All spectators and athletes arriving downtown will be subject to screening and compliance with the baggage policy established for this year's race. For specifics on the bag policy please visit www.baa.org.
- We strongly recommend that all runners access the corral system from the Athletes' Village (at the Hopkinton Middle School/High School complex). Entering the system from other locations will cause delays in reaching your corral.
- Unofficial participants are prohibited from entering the race course.

ATHLETES' VILLAGE

The Athletes' Village will be located behind the Hopkinton Middle School and High School complex. This secure location will be accessible to participants only and provides them with room to relax and stretch before they are called to the Start Line.

ATHLETE SHUTTLE SERVICE

Official buses from Boston will drop runners off at the High School. For those driving to Hopkinton, satellite parking for runners will be available at the Industrial Park at 52 South Street. Shuttle service from 52 South Street will transport runners directly to the Athletes' Village. Screening areas will be established at all shuttle service locations.

SPECTATOR SHUTTLE SERVICE

Spectator shuttle service will be provided from the Hopkinton State Park and from the Industrial Park at 52 South Street. Shuttle service from these locations will transport spectators only to the downtown area. Screening areas will be established at all shuttle service locations.

WAVE STARTS

In order to make the starting process more efficient and to reduce congestion, runners will be split into four waves of approximately 7,500 runners each. Runner buses will leave Boston in a fashion that will limit the number of runners in Hopkinton to 15,000 at any given time. In addition, new procedures are in place to increase efficiency in moving runners from the Athletes' Village to the Start Line.

Wheelchair Men – 9:02 a.m.

Wheelchair Women – 9:04 a.m.

Handcycle & Duo Participants – 9:25 a.m.

Elite Women – 9:32 a.m.

Elite Men – 10:00 a.m.

Wave One – 10:02 a.m.

Wave Two – 10:25 a.m.

Wave Three – 10:50 a.m.

Wave Four – 11:15 a.m.

We urge all residents and business owners to pay close attention to additional pre-event information that may be provided. We also request all residents and business owners in weeks leading up to Marathon Monday to report any unusual activity near or around their property to the Hopkinton Police Department at (508) 497-3401 or 911 in an emergency. We also urge you to view the Department of Homeland Security "If You See Something Say Something" public service campaign video.

<https://www.dhs.gov/see-something-say-something>

SANITATION

The Boston Athletic Association has retained the services of a company to be dispatched to handle any isolated sanitation issues. This service will be available on Monday and Tuesday afternoon. Please call the Command Post at (508) 497-2316 to report problems that need to be addressed. The Command Post is operational from Friday, April 12, through Monday, April 15, at 3:00 p.m. Please direct all calls after 1:00 p.m. on Monday to the Hopkinton Police Department at (508) 497-3401.

The Boston Athletic Association in partnership with the Hopkinton Police Department wish to thank all residents and business owners for their anticipated cooperation for the 2019 Boston Marathon. We urge all athletes and spectators to respectfully adhere to all public safety measures that will be in place so all can enjoy a wonderful family friendly athletic event.