

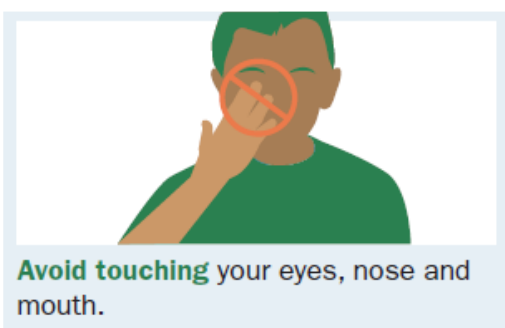


## COVID-19 Update for Devens: May 20, 2020

**Reopening Phase 1 Begins:** As of May 18, 2020, essential services have been expanded and authorized to continue operating under specific self-certification requirements. All businesses must meet these requirements before reopening and have until May 25, 2020 to comply with these mandatory safety standards. **The state has created guidance and templates to make this re-opening process as safe and efficient as possible.** Full details at: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-massachusetts>

**Safety Supplies:** The state has a website of resources to help with obtaining hygienic and protective supplies to comply with the workplace safety standards: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-purchasing-hygienic-or-protective-supplies-for-the-workplace>

Remember to continue to wear a mask when in public and do your part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 by following these simple guidelines:



**Hungry?** A number of restaurants, bars, and other establishments that sell food and beverages in Devens and the surrounding region are still open for take-out and by delivery. **Call ahead** to make sure they are open and be sure to wear your face mask if you are picking up. **Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry** is also currently operating as a drive-thru pantry and will be open this week on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you are well and able, they are seeking volunteers to assist in their efforts. For complete details, go to: <https://loavesfishespantry.org/>

**Additional information on COVID-19 for MA businesses and residents can be found at:** <http://bit.ly/MADPHCOVID19>. For daily updates and the latest news on COVID-19 in Massachusetts, go to : <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-updates-and-information#daily-updates->

The DEC, acting in its capacity as the local Board of Health for Devens, continues to monitor the situation in Devens in collaboration with the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, the Devens Public Safety Officer (Devens Fire Chief Tim Kelly), and MassDevelopment. **For immediate questions and concerns, residents and businesses can dial 2-1-1.** Any Questions for the DEC can be directed to 978.772.8831.

**We appreciate everyone's cooperation in helping to minimize the spread of this virus.**