

## 2016 Boston Marathon Hopkinton Police Department Public Service Advisory

The 119<sup>th</sup> running of the Boston Marathon will take place on Monday April 18, 2016. The roads in Hopkinton will be closing at 7 a.m. Monday morning. The roads around the town common will be closing at 6 a.m. Approximately 30,000 runners will be running in four different groups or Waves. The time-line for the race is as follows

The Mobility Impaired will start at 8:50 a.m.

The Wheelchairs will start at 9:17 a.m.

The Hand-cycles will start at 9:22 a.m.

The Elite Women runners will start at 9:32 a.m.

Wave 1 of the runners (7500) will start at 10:00 a.m.

Wave 2 of the runners (7500) will start at 10:25 a.m.

Wave 3 of the runners (7500) will start at 10:50 a.m.

Wave 4 of the runners (7500) will start at 11:15 a.m.

There will be shuttle services for spectators and runners from the Hopkinton State Park on Cedar Street, which is also Route 85 and from South Street. It is suggested that <u>registered runners</u> board the buses on South St. and <u>spectators only</u> board the buses at the State Park. The shuttle buses will start at 6 am and run continuously until 12:00 Noon. After the race the shuttles will run continuously returning spectators to the parking areas. Screening areas will be established at all shuttle service locations.

The <u>spectator</u> shuttles leaving from the Hopkinton State Park will drop passengers at the corner of Cedar St, (Route 85), and A Street. The intersection of Main Street and Cedar Street, Routes 135 and 85, is a short walk away. Spectators can walk up Main Street to the Common area to watch the start of the race. The shuttles leaving from South Street will drop passengers off at the corner of Main Street and Pleasant Street. From here, spectators can walk up Main Street to the Common area for the start of the race.

Registered runners boarding the buses on South St. will be transported directly to Runners Village.

For spectators who wish to return to your vehicle after the race, please wait for the buses in the same place you were dropped off by the bus. Runners will be transported back to Hopkinton from Boston post-race.

Please plan for additional time to get to your intended location. There will be a series of 'screening zones' established around the Start area and Athlete's corrals leading to the Start; both spectators and athletes alike arriving downtown will be subject to screening and compliance with the 'no bag' policy established for this year's race.

For specifics on the bag policy please go to:

http://www.baa.org/races/boston-marathon/event-information/spectator-information.aspx



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

There will be no on street parking allowed in or near the center of town on Marathon Monday. Numerous roads in Hopkinton will be posted No Parking. Parking is allowed only in designated parking lots on South Street and at Hopkinton State Park. Parking is not allowed on South Street or Cedar Street. All violators will be ticketed and towed. Parking on school property is prohibited unless authorized. There will be no exceptions.

## **Directions to Hopkinton are as follows:**

From points East and West, take the Mass Pike, Route 90, to Exit 11A the 495 Exit. After going through the toll booth, get onto Route 495 Southbound. Follow 495 to the next Exit, Exit 21B. Take a right off the ramp from the highway and at the first traffic light, take a left. This will put you on South Street. Follow the direction of the officer and B.A.A. Volunteers who will show you where you can park. No on street parking will be permitted.

From points North and South, take Route 495 to Exit 21B. Follow the ramp from the highway onto West Main Street. Take your first left. This will put you on South Street. Follow the direction of the officer and B.A.A. Volunteers who will show you where you can park. No on street parking will be permitted.

From points North, East and West, take Route 9 from the east or west to Route 85 Southbound. Follow Route 85 for approximately 3 to 4 miles. The Hopkinton State Park will be on your left.

## Road Closures will be as follows:

West Main Street eastbound will be closed at Route 495. Route 495 Exit 21A will be closed. Wood Street, which is also Route 135, eastbound will be closed at Elm Street. Cedar Street, which is also Route 85, southbound will be closed at the entrance to the Hopkinton State Park. East Main Street, which is also Route 135, westbound will be closed at the Ashland town line. Hayden Rowe Street, which is also Route 85, northbound will be closed at Chestnut Street. Residents, please allow ample time to leave your residence to go about your daily business. Once the roads have closed you will not be allowed to return until the roads reopen. Businesses, please advise your employees of the road closing times. Unless you have an authorized vehicle pass, you will not be able to reach your destination.

For runner information please visit the Boston Athletic Association's website at **www.baa.org** or call 617-236-1652 or 508-435-6905.