



**TOWN OF EGREMONT**  
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Dear Short-Term Rental Owner/Occupant,

As you know COVID-19 is **HERE** in the Berkshires. On March 24, 2020, the Federal Corona Virus Task Force issued a recommendation that anyone traveling from the New York City Metropolitan area should self-quarantine\* for at least 14 days. On March 27, 2020 Massachusetts Governor Baker requested all travelers arriving in Massachusetts from out of state also self-quarantine. We are asking that if you have received any bookings or inquiries from any person from this area (or any other area deemed as a COVID-19 hotspot) that you inform them of the 14-day quarantine requirement.

In addition, if a resident is found to test positive for COVID-19 who is residing at one of your properties, there will be a mandatory Isolation order issued by our BOH and occupants will be unable to leave until they are medically cleared (which could be longer than 14 days) regardless of their commitment on your booking. More importantly, people traveling into the Berkshires from out of the area may be unaware and could further aid in the spread of the virus. In certain cases, our BOH may require additional actions to prevent further spread that may include a comprehensive sanitizing and disinfection of the property at your expense.

We thank you for your cooperation during this trying time. Please visit the following link <https://www.mass.gov/resource/information-on-the-outbreak-of-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19> to access up to date information on COVID-19 as well as resources needed. **PRACTICE** social distancing, **WASH** hands with soap and water, **FOLLOW** all Commonwealth of Massachusetts Emergency orders, **ISOLATE** at home as much as possible, and **STAY** at home if you are sick.

Thank you for your timely and important cooperation on this matter.

Respectfully,

*Juliette Haas*

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Director

\*Self-quarantine: Shelter in place for 14 days. No trips to stores for supplies. No walks on town roads or private ways.