

Monday, October 28, 2024

Mayor's Newton Update

Air Quality Unhealthy in Parts of Newton

Brush fires in Salem and other parts of Massachusetts are causing hazy smoke, including in Newton.

As of 10:07am on Monday, October 28, 2024, the air quality is considered unhealthy in parts of Newton, according to the US Environmental Protection Agency's Air Quality Index Fire and Smoke Map. (Click [here](#) to see the map.) People in Newton should take precautions by reducing outdoor time, taking more breaks, and doing less intense activities if outdoors. If you have asthma monitor yourself carefully for symptoms such as coughing, wheezing, or difficulty breathing and have any quick relief asthma medicine readily available.

For more information about how air quality can impact your health, please visit the National Institute of Environmental Health Science's website here: <https://www.niehs.nih.gov/health/topics/agents/air-pollution>.

Please be aware that the Fire Warden from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation has issued a Class 4 – Very High Fire Danger Rating for today. There is no open burning allowed in the City of Newton. Please take extra precautions when disposing of smoking materials or other potential ignition sources.

Sincerely,
Mayor Ruthanne Fuller



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