

# ENJOYING SOUTHBOROUGH

## WHILE MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCING



### GENERAL RULES TO ABIDE BY:

- Maintain social distancing at all times
- Follow all state and federal orders regarding public activities
- Park in designated parking areas only – if parking lots are full then trails are full! Consider finding an alternative trail
- Comply with any “Trail Closed” signs you may see.
- Stay on marked trails for safety and wildlife protection
- Leash your dog(s) – this can cause unanticipated social interactions when dogs are not leashed
- Adhere to current rules regarding usage (not all trails allow dogs, bikes, etc.)
- BE RESPECTFUL of both the land and people. Alert others to your presence and move to the side of trails to maintain 6'. Be sure to say thank you if others move for you!

### TOPIC 01

General rules to abide by and common courtesies for sharing the trails

### TOPIC 02

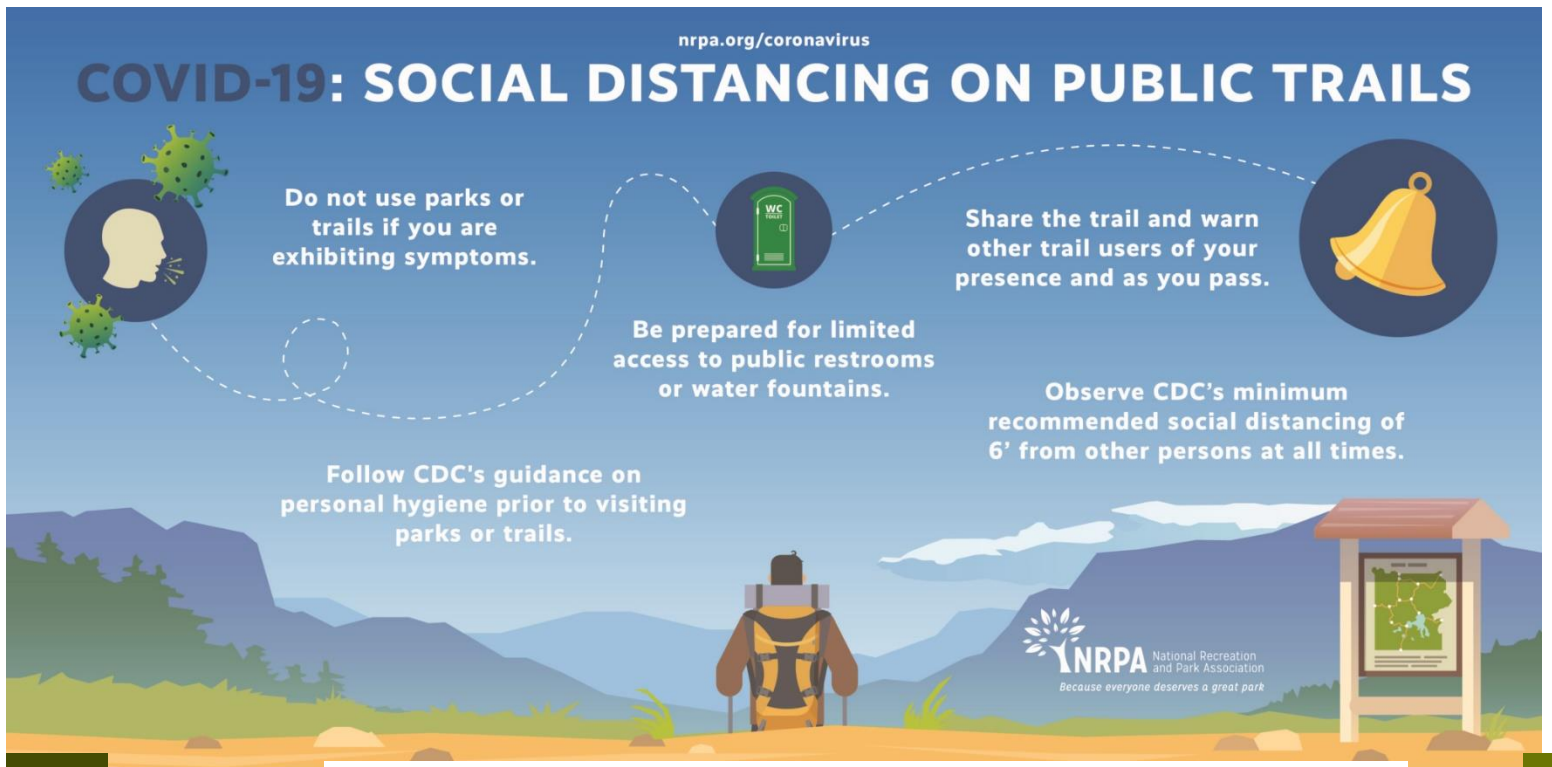
Where are the trails and how can I find them?

### TOPIC 03

What to do while enjoying the beauty that is Southborough open space!

## We are thrilled at this time to see the increase of use in Town owned open space!

- Please be friendly and courteous to other visitors and setp aside so others can pass while keeping the 6' distance
- If you encounter a bridge, please pause before crossing if someone is coming the other way
- If you are on a long board walk you can turn away from the other person to pass without breathing on each other
- Please refrain from touching benches, map boxes, kiosks, and other physical structures unless absolutely necessary!



## WHERE ARE THE TRAILS?

- Trails are owned by several different entities including the town, Southborough Open Land Foundation, Sudbury Valley Trustees, and others.
- Go to the Southborough Trails website at <https://www.southboroughtown.com/southborough-trails-committee/pages/trails-southborough> for a complete list and maps (please note that Chesnut Hill Farm is currently closed for trails)
- Please stay on marked trails! Deviating off marked trails may cause damage to wildlife habitat, especially nesting birds.
- Send an email to [mdanza@southboroughma.com](mailto:mdanza@southboroughma.com) with pictures of your adventures so that we can share them periodically!

# WHAT CAN WE DO WHILE WE WALK?

## NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT

- There are many Nature Scavenger Hunt's available on the internet for free that are good for all ages. Decide on one (of a few) and set off on an adventure
- Take pictures and enjoy the scenery

## CLEAN UP THE TRAILS & ROADWAYS

- Take a trash bag (or two) and some gloves and pick up trash and debris from roadways and trails. Get a head start on Earth Day cleanup!
- Consider sweeping aside sticks and debris if you are physically able to to make the trails safer for others
- Send an email with what you picked up



## REMOVE GARLIC MUSTARD

- It's garlic mustard season! Growing season is here and this little invasive is coming in hot.
- It's early enough in the season that you can leave the plant on site, preferably on a rock where the plant cannot root. You can also bring a bag with you and properly dispose of them.
- Pull in your yard, a nearby roadside, or along a trail!
- Send us an email to let us know if you completed any on town owned land

## HAVE FUN AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING!

Please send any and all pictures you are willing to share to [mdanza@southboruoghma.com](mailto:mdanza@southboruoghma.com) with the location and action. We will share as many as we can with the other organizations in town and various town social media sites!

