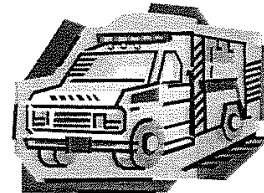
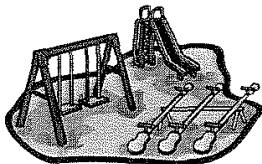
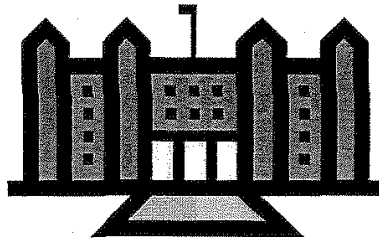


# Welcome



# To Wrentham



From the Town Clerk's Office

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## Wrentham's Early History

Wrentham was settled in response to a vote by Dedham selectmen who, in the early 1660s, 'deputed men to search and view Indian lands around Wollomonopoag' - as the area was then known. After viewing the land 'near about the pond' now known as Lake Pearl the men recommended to Dedham town meeting that a settlement be located here.

Shortly thereafter Dedham general town meeting voted to establish a plantation on the 6 sq. miles purchased from King Philip for L20, 10 S. Settlers drew lots for parcels of land in the Plantation. And after a rough start, Wrentham was actually incorporated in 1673. And thus Wrentham was born.

It is interesting to note that at various times throughout her history Wrentham has been known by a number of names including: Wollomonopoag, Sheldonville, Lake Pearl Station, and Wampum Station.

## Most Frequently Asked Questions

***NOTE: All forms and applications, as well as additional information on each of the topics below, may be found on the Town's website > Departments > Town Clerk. (All checks shall be payable to "The Town of Wrentham".)***

***Most of the Town Clerk's transactions (and Recreation and Tax Collector) may be done on-line at <http://www.wrentham.ma.us/live-in-town-of-wrentham/make-payments-pay-taxes>.***

### How and When Do I License My Dog?

- Dog licenses are issued for a **calendar** year (owner must be over the age of 18).
- Dog licensing period begins on **January 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on March 31<sup>st</sup>**.
- Dogs **must** have updated rabies information.
- Dog licenses obtained after **March 31<sup>st</sup>** are subject to a **late fine of \$50.00 per dog** (per Mass. General Law, Chapter 40, Section 21D)
- Dog licenses obtained after **May 31<sup>st</sup>** are subject to an **additional late fine \$100.00 per dog** (per Wrentham General Bylaws 4.10, Section 7C).

#### Licenses

Male/Female - \$20.00	Spayed/Neutered - \$12.00
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- Licenses may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office (Mon./Wed./Thurs., 8 AM to 4 PM; Tuesday, 8 AM to 7 PM and Friday till 8 AM to 12 Noon).
- Licenses may also be obtained on-line (<http://www.wrentham.ma.us/live-in-town-of-wrentham/make-payments-pay-taxes>) or via USPS mail (enclose application, rabies certificate, self-addressed stamped envelope, and check made out to the "Town of Wrentham", 79 South Street). **If no envelope is provided, the licenses will held at the office for pick-up.**

## How do I Obtain a Certified Copy of a Birth, Marriage, or Death Certificate?

Certified copies of birth, marriage, and death certificates are \$10.00 each.

- Birth Certificates: Parents must have been living in Wrentham at time of your birth.
- Marriage Certificates: Available to anyone who filed their Intentions in Wrentham.

## How Do I Apply for a Marriage License?

- Both parties must be present and apply together.
- There is a three (3) day waiting period after you file your intentions.
- The cost to file the intention is \$25.00.
- You cannot apply more than 60 days prior to marriage.

## How Do I Obtain a Business Certificate?

- Business Certificates are \$35.00 and are active for four (4) years.
- You and any co-owners must appear in person to sign the business certificate.
- If any changes occur during the four year period, you must come in and file a change or discontinuance, for a fee of \$15.00.

## How Do I Obtain a Raffle Permit?

- Non-profit organizations having been in existence for two years or more are eligible.
- If applying for the first time, a statement of organization must be presented.
- The Raffle Permit fee is \$20.00.

## How Do I Register to Vote?

- You must be 18 years old and a U.S. citizen.
- You can register in person, by mail, at the Registry of Motor Vehicles, or on-line at [www.sec.state.ma.us](http://www.sec.state.ma.us). You will receive verification by mail after registering.
- A mail-in registration form can be sent to you if requested.
- If you move within Town, please re-register at your new address.

## Where Do I Vote?

All Wrentham voters cast their ballots at the Wrentham Elementary School (Janelli Annex)  
120 Taunton Street, Wrentham, MA 02093.

## When is the Annual Town Election?

The Annual Town Election is held on the first Monday in April.

## When are the Spring/Fall Town Meetings?

- The Spring Town Meeting is held on the first Monday in June.
- The Fall Town Meeting is held on the second Monday in November.
- Special Town Meetings may be held periodically during the year.
- All Warrants and Minutes of the Town Meetings are posted on the Town's website under the Board of Selectmen's page.
- All Town Meetings are held at King Philip Regional High School, beginning at 7:30 pm.

## Why do I Need to Answer to the Annual Census?

It is the law. The Annual Census is mailed to every household during the month of January. Per Massachusetts General Law, Town Registrars are obliged to prepare lists of pertinent information on every residence in Wrentham. The census is used to certify your residency and aids in the calculation of the amount of state aid for the schools. In addition, if not returned, voters in the household will become Inactive and may be deleted after two state elections.

## Where May I find Notary Public Services?

Notary public services are available in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours for a nominal fee. Additional notaries are available by appointment at the Senior Center and the Fiske Public Library, as well as local banks, insurance companies, or the Wrentham District Court House.

## Passports?

Passport Applications may be obtained at the Fiske Public Library, 110 Randall Road. Contact (508) 384-5440 for office hours and fees.

## What are Town Hall Hours?

Monday	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. to noon

## Wrentham Municipal Telephone Directory

Accountant.....	508-384-5406
Animal Control Officer .....	508-384-2121
Board of Assessors .....	508-384-5408
Board of Health .....	508-384-5480
Board of Selectmen.....	508-384-5400
Building Commissioner .....	508-384-5421
Collector/Treasurer.....	508-384-5413
Conservation Commission .....	508-384-5417
Constables.....	508-384-5415
Council on Aging .....	508-384-5425
Emergency – Police and Fire.....	911
Police Department (Non-emergency).....	508-384-2121
Fire Department (Non-emergency) .....	508-384-3131
Emergency Management.....	508-384-6980
Finance Department .....	508-384-5413
Fiske Public Library.....	508-384-5440
Housing Authority .....	508-384-2054
Moderator.....	508-384-1141
Planning Board .....	508-384-5441
Public Health Nurses .....	508-384-5485
Public Works Department.....	508-384-5477
Recreation Committee.....	508-384-5427
Recycling .....	508-384-5418
Schools	
Wrentham Elementary School.....	508-384-5439
King Philip Regional Middle School.....	508-541-7324
King Philip Regional High School.....	508-384-1000
Tri-County Regional Vocational High School .....	508-528-5400
Norfolk County Agricultural High School .....	508-668-0268
Town Administrator .....	508-384-5400
Town Clerk .....	508-384-5415
Tree Warden .....	508-384-5477
Veterans Services.....	508-384-8333
Zoning Board of Appeals.....	508-384-6320

## Toll-Free Numbers – State Services

Blind, Commission for the .....	1-800-392-6450
Deaf, Commission for the.....	1-800-882-1155
Disability Determination (Mass. Rehab. Commission).....	1-800-882-2040
Elder Affairs Hotline.....	1-800-882-2003
Food Stamps .....	1-800-645-8333
Medicaid .....	1-800-841-2900
Medicare .....	1-800-882-1228
Medical Security for Uninsured.....	1-800-914-4455
Public Safety .....	1-800-223-0933
Registry of Deeds (Plymouth) .....	1-508-830-9260
Registry of Motor Vehicles .....	1-617-351-4500
Revenue, Department of .....	1-800-392-6089
Securities Division .....	1-800-269-5428
Social Security .....	1-800-772-1213
Welfare.....	1-800-249-2007
Workers Compensation .....	1-800-323-3249

### Utility Companies

National Grid (Electric).....	1-800-322-3223
Columbia Gas.....	1-800-688-6160
Verizon .....	1-800-870-9999
Comcast .....	1-800-266-2278

### Miscellaneous

Wrentham Food Pantry.....	508-384-3110
Fuel Assistance (Council on Aging).....	508-384-5425
Trash (Waste Management).....	1-800-972-4545

**Our office is happy to serve Wrentham residents, please feel free to contact the office at (508) 384-5415 with any questions or concerns.**

Cynthia L. Thompson, Town Clerk  
cthompson@wrentham.ma.us  
Ellen Wojcik, Assistant Town Clerk, CMC  
ellen@wrentham.ma.us

## Trash

### Weekly Pickup - Curbside by 7:00 a.m.

- One 35 Gallon trash bin (weekly) – must face the street.
- Bulky items collected **once a month** by appointment ONLY **1-800-321-3002**.
  - Large trash items and electronics, metals, appliances, couches, TV's, etc.
  - Don't put fluorescent or compact fluorescent bulbs in the trash. They may be brought to your local home improvement store to be recycled.
  - Rechargeable batteries can be brought to the Fiske Public Library or Town Hall.
- If household exceeds the barrel limit, excess trash must be placed in a purple bag.
- Purple bags may be purchased (qty. of 5) for \$10.00 at the following locations:

<p><b>Cataldo's Paint &amp; Hardware, Inc.</b> 84 South Street, Wrentham, MA 02093</p> <p><b>Mobil Service Center</b> 165 South Street, Wrentham, MA 02093</p> <p><b>Wampum Corner Shell Station</b> Route 1A - South Street, Wrentham, MA 02093</p>	<p><b>Super Stop &amp; Shop</b> Taunton Street, Plainville, MA 02762 141 Main Street, Foxboro, MA 02035 40 Franklin Village Drive, Franklin, MA 02038</p> <p><b>Shaw's Franklin</b> 255 East Central Street, Franklin, MA 02038</p> <p><b>Big Y</b> 348 East Central Street, Franklin, MA 02038</p>
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**Note: Purple bags are NOT available at Town Hall**

## Recycling

### Bi-Weekly Pickup - Curbside by 7:00 a.m.

- One 96 Gallon recycling bin (bi-weekly) – must face the street.
- Paper – newspapers/inserts, magazines, paperboard (remove plastic liners – cereal, cracker boxes), corrugated cardboard, phone books, brown paper bags, junk mail, office paper, milk cartons and juice boxes
  - NO waste paper, plastic coated paper or plastic bags
- Containers – glass bottles (all colors and sizes), aluminum/tin/steel cans and lids, aluminum foil/pie plates, all plastic containers labeled 1-7, aseptic juice boxes
  - NO broken glass or other items (window glass, dishes, glasses, pyrex, ceramics, light bulbs)
  - NO cans/bottles containing paint, aerosol or hazardous materials

**IMPORTANT:** Trash / Recycling will be delayed by one day during the months with Monday holidays: January (New Year's Day), May (Memorial Day), July (Independence Day) and September (Labor Day). Trash and Recycling will also be delayed by one day after the following midweek holidays: November (Thanksgiving Day), December (Christmas Day).



## Miscellaneous Recycling / Hazardous Waste Information

### Plastic Bags

Try not to put ANY plastic bags in with your recycling. They clog up the machinery at the recycling plant and contaminate the recyclable items. Return them to a local store that recycles plastic bags. You may also include clean and dry plastic bags such as the plastic wrapping from paper towels & toilet paper, bread bags & non compostable produce bags.

### Household Hazardous Waste and Donation Event

Household Hazardous Waste Day and Wrentham's Donation Event are held in the month of **May** at the DPW and Senior Center Parking Lots on Taunton Street.

Tires, oil based paint, old pesticides/fertilizers and other chemicals are considered hazardous waste so you cannot dispose of them in the regular trash. Store these items until Household Hazardous Waste Day. You may take these items on that day and dispose of most items for free and others, such as tires, for a nominal fee.

### Used Motor Oil

The DPW can no longer accept used oil. Most used oil can be returned to the point of purchase if you save your receipt. Please check with your retailer upon purchase. Used oil can be turned in during Household Hazardous Waste Day at no charge.

## Brush Dump

The Brush Dump (located at the DPW, 360 Taunton Street) is where you can bring grass clippings, leaves, brush, Christmas trees. The DPW regularly aerates it so that the compost produced can be used by Wrentham residents for their yards. All yard waste requires a permit (\$20.00 per calendar year). Check with the DPW office at (508) 384-5477. The brush dump is open on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- DPW Brush Dump Winter Hours - September through April
- Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (gates close at 3:00 p.m.)
- DPW Brush Dump Summer Hours - April through August
- Monday - Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (gates close at 5:00 p.m.)

## Burning Season/Burning Permits

Open Burning is allowed from January 15<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup> at the discretion of the Fire Chief. Permits are free of charge. Further instructions may be found on the Fire Department's webpage (<http://www.wrentham.ma.us/burn-permits>).

## Places of Worship



Church	Contact Person	Telephone #
Original Congregational Church 1 East Street	Rev. Kenneth C. Landin, Pastor	508-384-3110
Trinity Episcopal Church 47 East Street	Reverend Dr. Elise Feyerherm	508 384-3958
St. Mary's Parish 130 South Street	Father Bill Schmidt	508 384-3373
Sheldonville Baptist Church 2044 West Street	Pastor Doug Pettit	508 384-2490

## Nixle Alerts

**The Town of Wrentham** has partnered with Nixle to implement its Community Notification System to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories.

As a resident, there are several simple ways to register:

1. Text your ZIPCODE to 888777 from your mobile phone
2. Go to [www.wrentham.ma.us](http://www.wrentham.ma.us) and sign up via the Nixle Widget

Once registered, residents will receive a confirmation text to their mobile device. Residents may also customize their alert settings by going to [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) and creating a User Profile.

The service is secure, reliable and easy to use for our residents.

All Alerts will be targeted geographically, allowing residents to receive localized, relevant alerts from the Town of Wrentham. Nixle Alerts can be sent via Text, Email, Voice, Web, Social Media, and the Nixle Mobile App in an instant. Nixle is partnered with NLETS for unmatched data security, as well as the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the National Blue Alert Network, and Google for unmatched reach and two-way information exchange.

We are very excited to have you experience it for yourself.

