

TOWN OF LEXINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

PUBLIC OPEN & RECREATION SPACE

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In Lexington, over 15% of the town's area is public open space, an impressive figure for a community so close to Boston. Open space provides the opportunity to experience fresh air, green leaves, open fields, and the pleasure of a stroll through the woods right here in our own community. Open space also protects many beneficial services that nature performs for us, such as flood protection, nutrient cycling, and the purification of air and water. And because all of Lexington was once farmland, forest, or wetland, open space helps to preserve the historic and cultural character of our town.

Public open space represented on this map includes:

- Conservation land, which is intended for passive recreation, such as walking, jogging, bicycling, cross-country skiing, and observing the wild plants and animals that share our natural surroundings with us
- Recreation land, which is intended for active recreational amenities, such as playing fields, swimming areas, and playgrounds to enjoy throughout their lives
- Other municipal land, such as cemeteries and school properties, that provides green areas or pedestrian connections to other open space
- State and federal land that provides conservation and recreation opportunities

Privately owned open space and other open space that does not provide public access has not been represented on this map. A map showing all of Lexington's open space, including areas that are not publicly accessible, is available on request through the Town's Planning and Conservation Divisions. The Open & Recreation Space map will be updated on an annual basis, as needed.

When exploring Lexington's open space, please consider the hard work that many citizens and friends have contributed toward protecting and caring for these important properties.



Legend

Parking for Open Space (parking limitations vary by property; please observe posted rules)

School

Road

Trails

Please note that not all trails in Lexington have been mapped. Other trails may be shown at www.openstreetmap.org.

Trail on Conservation Land (detailed trail maps for many conservation areas are available at www.lexingtonma.gov/conservation/conland.cfm)

ACROSS Lexington Route (see www.acrosslexington.org for more information)

Minuteman Commuter Bikeway

Trail on Other Land

Water

Stream

Pond

Open Space

Lexington - Conservation

Lexington - Recreation and/or School (more information on recreation facilities is available at www.lexingtonma.gov/recreationdepartment.cfm)

Lexington - Other Municipal

Other Municipality

State

Federal

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