



TOWN OF NORTH READING

Massachusetts

Department of Public Works

Fall 2023 Fire Hydrant Flushing Schedule

The North Reading Water Department, as part of the maintenance of the water distribution system, began the annual fire hydrant flushing program on September 18, 2023, and this program will continue until October 25, 2023.

Hydrant flushing is used to remove any fine iron or manganese sediment from the water mains in the streets. Iron and manganese are naturally occurring minerals found in the soils near the Town's water supply. As precipitation passes down through these soils, iron and manganese dissolve into the water. While the Water is treated to specifically to remove iron and manganese, trace amounts of these minerals remain in the water leaving the water treatment plant. This remaining dissolved iron and manganese combine with oxygen in the water to form fine particles that settle out of the water in the water distribution system.

Iron and manganese do not present health risks, but can cause a number of aesthetic problems, such as discolored water and staining of plumbing fixtures or laundry. The fine particles of iron and manganese in the water mains can easily become re-suspended whenever there is a change in flow in the water system, such as during a fire or other periods of high water usage. By creating the high flow conditions through hydrant flushing, the Water Department attempts to remove the color-causing particles in a systematic manner.

The flushing program begins in the area of the water supply sources and moves progressively across the town, using areas that have already been cleaned to provide the water to areas yet to be flushed.

Flushing will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, typically between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Residents and business owners are cautioned that they may experience discolored water during the hours of flushing in their area.

For additional information on the flushing program, please contact the Department of Public Works at (978) 357-5260.

Hydrant Flushing Schedule – Fall, 2023

Day 1
Monday
September 18, 2023

Allston Road
Audubon Road
Batchelder Avenue
Bates Road (Wilmington)
Belleflower Road
Brooks Road
Burroughs Road
Chester Street
Cogswell Road
Comeau Road
Eaton Avenue
Edgewood Terrace
Elma Road
Emerson Road
Fairway Road
Fieldcrest Terrace
Flash Road
Hillside Road
Homestead Terrace
Lakeside Boulevard
Larson Street (Wilmington)
LeClair Street
Main Street (from Andover Town Line to Sullivan Road)
Old Andover Road
Pinecrest Road
Pluff Avenue
Poplar Terrace
Porter Road
Roach Circle
Shore Road
St. Theresa's Street
Travelled Way
Virginia Road
Voke Street
Shaw's Plaza

Day 2
Wednesday
September 20, 2023

Acorn Knoll
Central Street (from Andover Town Line to North Street)
Eugley Park (East and West)
Hillview Road
Lantern Lane
Memory Lane
North Street (from Central Street to Sunset Avenue)
Pine Ridge Road
Puritan Road
Sandy Lane
Shady Hill Drive

Day 3
Thursday
September 21, 2023

Berridge Way
Central Street (from North Street to Spruce Road)
Country Club Road
Deer Run Drive
Eagle Drive
Fernway
Francis Street
Main Street (from North Street to Lowell Road)
North Street (from Central Street to Main Street)
Northridge Drive
Oak Knoll Avenue
Pine Glen Drive
Plymouth Street
Pomeroy Road
Red Hill Road
Ridgeway Road
Spring Lane
Valley Road
Yankee Lane
Greenbriar Estates

Day 4
Friday
September 22, 2023

Abbott Road
Beech Road
Birch Street
Brian's Way
Elvira Road
Junction Road
Lawrence Road
Leland Road
Lowell Road (Route 62)
Main Street (from Sullivan Road to North Street)
Navillus Road
North Street (from Main Street to Lowell Road)
Oak Avenue
Patley Road
Pine Avenue

Rodgers Circle
Sachem Street
Shirley Avenue
Sullivan Road
Vine Street
Wilson Avenue
Winthrop Road
Edgewood Apartments
Martins Landing

Day 5
Monday
September 25, 2023

Aldersgate Way
Baldwin Lane
Cameron Road
Caroline Road
Central Place
Central Street (from Spruce Road to Park Street)
Freedom Drive
Liberty Lane
Main Street (from Lowell Road to Winter Street)
Nichols Street
Old Farm Lane
Park Street (from Main Street to Central Street)
Patriot Way
Pilgrim Street
Quimby Road
Smythe Circle
Spruce Road
Winter Street

Day 6
Wednesday
September 27, 2023

Burditt Road
Damon Street
Eames Street
Gloria Lane
Gould Street
Kingston Street
Larch Street
Main Street (from Winter Street to Park Street)
Mill Street
Nutter Road
Park Street (from Winter Street to Southwick Road)
Shay Lane
Southwick Road (from #37 Southwick Road to Park Street)
Park Colony Condominiums

Day 7
Thursday
September 28, 2023

Alden Street
Carriage Way
Cold Spring Road
Gordon Lane
Greene Street
Linwood Avenue
MacArthur Road
Putnam Road
Rock Street
Southwick Road
Stewart Road
Summer Street
Wadsworth Road

Day 8
Friday
September 29, 2023

Barberry Lane
Furbish Pond Lane
Jill Circle
Kristyn Lane
Lisa Mary Drive
Oakland Road
Park Street (from Southwick Road to Wilmington Town Line)
Redmond Avenue
Sandspur Lane
West Village Drive
Little School

Day 9
Monday
October 2, 2023

Devons Road
Dodge Road
Hancock Road
Juniper Road
Lee Road
Maple Road
Meade Road
Oakdale Road
Park Street (from Central Street to Oakdale Road)
Sherman Road
Tamarack Road
Taylor Road
Winterberry Lane
North Reading Middle School
North Reading High School

Day 10
Wednesday
October 4, 2023

Cedar Street
Central Street (from Park Street to Chestnut Street)
Chestnut Street (from Park Street to Haverhill Street)
Haverhill Street (from Reading Town Line to Mt Vernon Street)
Mentus Farm Lane
Park Street (from Haverhill Street to Oakdale Road)
Scotland Heights
Upton Avenue
Ipswich River Park

Night 1
Wednesday
October 4, 2023

Concord Street
Hallberg Park
Riverpark Drive
Miles/AGFA Industrial Park (35 Concord Street)

Day 11
Thursday
October 5, 2023

Belmont Lane
Burnham Drive
Eisenhaure Lane
Gowing Lane
Haverhill Street (from North Street to Mt Vernon Street)
Hill Street
Oscars' Way
Peabody Court
Peabody Street
Railroad Avenue
School Hill Lane
Tower Hill Road
Batchelder School

Day 12
Friday
October 6, 2023

Agatha Way
Amber Lane
Barbie Lane
First Street
George Root Lane
Haverhill Street (from Charles Street to North Street)
Janice Avenue
Lloyd Road
North Street (from Pine Ridge Road to Haverhill Street)
Stonecleave Road
Sunset Avenue
Wagon Drive
Wyoming Avenue

Day 13
Wednesday
October 11, 2023

Anthony Road
Aspen Road
Charles Street
Cheyenne Drive
Colonial Hill Drive
Demetri Lane
Haverhill Street (from Charles Street to Andover Town Line)
Peter Road
Westchester Drive
Westward Circle
Hood School

Day 14
Thursday
October 12, 2023

Ashwood Drive
Boxwood Drive
Carpenter Drive
Chestnut Street (from Haverhill Street to Park Street east)
Crestwood Road
Heritage Way
Hickory Lane
Laurel Road
Marshall Street
Parker Drive
Robin Road
Timber Lane

Day 15
Friday
October 13, 2023

Anglewood Lane
Appletree Lane
Bow Street
Chestnut Street (from Park Street to Lynnfield Town Line)
Cobblers Lane
Eaton Circle
Flint Street
Grandview Road
Harding Road
Larchmont Road
Mount Vernon Street
North Hill Drive
Park Street (from Haverhill Street to Chestnut Street)
Parsonage Lane
Roosevelt Street
Rust Lane
Sylvia Road
Takoma Circle
Washington Street
Whitcomb Way
Whittridge Place
Williams Road
Woodland Drive
Wright Street

Day 16
Monday
October 18, 2023

Duane Drive (from Hidden Pond Lane to Elm Street)
Elm Street (from Haverhill Street to Turner Drive)
Fieldstone Way
Harvest Lane
Hidden Pond Lane
John Bickford Way
Lindor Road (from Sandra Lane to Susan Drive)
Orchard Drive
Pickard Lane
Pleasant Street (from Elm Street to Turner Drive)
Sandra Lane
Strawberry Lane (from Sandra Lane to Susan Drive)
Susan Drive
Turner Drive

Day 17
Wednesday
October 18, 2023

Arline Drive
Bridle Way
Darrell Drive
Duane Drive (from Foley Drive to Hidden Pond Lane)
Equestrian Drive
Foley Drive
Ladyslipper Lane
Lillian Drive
Lindor Road (from Susan Drive to Darrell Drive)
Pleasant Street (from Turner Drive to end)
Strawberry Lane (from Susan Drive to Equestrian Drive)

Day 18
Thursday
October 21, 2023

Adrian Drive
Bishops Way
Castle Road
Cantebury Lane
Croswell Corners
Deerfield Place
Kings Row
Little Meadow Way
Mallard Lane
Marblehead Street
Old Coach Road
Palomino Drive
Ten Rod Way

Day 19
Friday
October 20, 2023

Angel Road
Bigham Road
East Street
Elm Street (from Turner Drive to Swan Pond Road)
Erwin Road
Fox Run
Hemlock Road
Rowe Farm
Shasta Drive
Snowcrest Run
Swan Pond Road
Virginia Road

Day 20
Monday
October 23, 2023

Elm Street (from Swan Pond Road to Fairview Street)
Hanah Graves Way
Jacob Raynor Lane
James Millen Road
John Pierson Lane
MacIntyre Drive
Oliver Swain Drive
Samuel Phelps Way
Tarbox Lane

Day 21
Wednesday
October 25, 2023

Elm Street (from Fairview Street to Middleton Town Line)
Fairview Street
Gillis Drive
Green Meadow Drive
Hayward Avenue
Hayward Farms Lane
Joanne Terrace
Judith Drive
Lisa Lane
Riverside Drive
Woodcutter Road

End of Hydrant Flushing for 2023

