

## Chapter A240

### ACCEPTANCE OF GENERAL LAWS AND SPECIAL ACTS

#### § A240-1. Acceptance of General Laws and Special Acts. A. Local option statutes accepted by the Town of Halifax.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Statutory Reference</b>	<b>Subject</b>
1912	Ch. 503, Acts of 1912	Pensioning laborers
1913	Ch. 807, Acts of 1913	Workmen's compensation
1914	Ch. 494, Acts of 1911	Eight-hour day
1914	Ch. 835, Acts of 1913	Official ballots
1914	Ch. 790, Acts of 1914	Party enrollment
1919	Ch. 311, Acts of 1919	Continuation of schools
1924	MGL C. 41, § 100	Establishing Police Department
1928	MGL C. 39, § 16	Finance Committee
1939	MGL C. 39, § 69-71	Workmen's compensation
1946	Ch. 166, Acts of 1946	Contributory retirement
1948	MGL C. 152, § 69	Workmen's compensation
1949	MGL C. 41	Town Collector
1951	MGL C. 40, § 68-75	Minor repairs on town roads
1952	MGL C. 71, § 61-161	Regional school district
1954	MGL C. 118D	Public assistance for disabled
1956	MGL C. 40, § 8A	Industrial and Development Commission
1957	MGL C. 48, §§ 42, 43 And 44	Fire Department
1957	Ch. 401, Acts of 1956	Civil Defense personnel
1957	Ch. 332, Acts of 1956	Laying water pipes in public and private ways
1961	MGL C. 40, § 8C	Conservation Commission
1961	MGL c. 71, § 40	Equal pay for men and women teachers
1961	Ch. 23, Acts of 1961	Life tenure for incumbent office of Highway Surveyor
1961	Ch. 27, Acts of 1961	Life tenure for incumbent office of Police Chief

1962	MGL C. 41, § 81Z	Subdivision Control Law
1962	MGL C. 40, § 6H	Repairs on private ways
1964	MGL c. 40, § 6B	Appropriate money for police and fire uniforms
1964	Ch. 162, Acts of 1941	Nomination of Inspector of Animals made by Board of Health
1966	MGL C. 32B	Blue Cross
1968	MGL C. 40, § 5, Para. 49	Council for Aging
1968	MGL C. 32B, § 9A	Retired Employees Health Benefits
1968	MGL C. 31, § 48	Civil service
1971	MGL C. 45, § 14 and MGL C. 40, § 8E	Youth and recreation
1972	Ch. 486, Acts of 1971	Beano
1972	MGL C. 78, § 10	Library trustees
1972	MGL C. 121B, § 3	Housing Authority
1973	MGL C. 44, § 53C	Extra detail
1973	MGL C. 40, § 8D	Historical Commission
1976	Ch. 808, Laws of 1976	40A
1977	MGL c. 140, §§ 194 through 196	Boating and swimming
1978	MGL c. 138, § 1	Town land and alcoholic beverages
1981	MGL c. 90, §§ 20A through 20E	Parking tickets
1983	MGL c. 44, § 65	Advances of vacation pay
1983	MGL c. 59, § 5	Exemption for blind
1983	MGL c. 148, § 26G	Automatic fire sprinkler systems
1983	C. 597, Acts of 1982	Excise tax exemption for prisoners of war
1983	C. 653, Acts of 1982, Clause 37A	Exemptions for blind
1983	C. 653, Acts of 1982, Clause 17C	Exemptions to widows and elderly
1984	C. 60, Acts of 1985	Enforcement of dogs regulations
1984	Ch. 263, Acts of 1984	Recall election
1985	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41B	Exemptions

1987	MGL c. 40, § 39K	Solid waste enterprise fund
1987	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 41C	Tax deferrals
1989	MGL c. 49, § 5, Clause 17D	Exemptions for surviving spouses, minor with deceased parent and persons over 70
1990	MGL c. 21G, §§ 15, 16 and 17	Water supply emergency
1990	MGL c. 111, § 160	Water supply emergency
1991	Chap. 291, Acts of 1990	911 service
1992	MGL c. 44, § 53E 1/2	Revolving accounts
1993	MGL c. 40, § 8J	A.D.A. Commission
1994	MGL c. 40, § 8G	Mutual Police Aid Programs/Agreements
1994	MGL c. 143, § 3A 1/2	Building Inspectors regulations
1995	Ch. 494, Acts of 1991	Deferred compensation in lieu of Social Security
1997	MGL c. 40, § 22F	Fixing of fees for licenses, permits or certificates
1997	MGL c. 40, § 5E	Unemployment Compensation Fund
1999	MGL c. 41, § 100B	Retired police officers and fire fighters indemnified for disability medical costs
1999	MGL c. 41, § 41B	Direct deposit of town employees' pay salaries
1999	Ch. 170, Acts of 1999	Additional compensation for Town Clerk, Town Collector or Town Treasurer who has attained municipal certification
2001	MGL c. 59 § 5, Clause 41D	Increase in amounts of gross receipts and whole estate, both real and personal
2001	MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 17E	Increase in amount of whole estate, real and personal
2001	MGL c. 59 § 5, Clause 53, Paragraph 2	Increase in abatement
2005	MGL c. 48, § 42	Chief of the Fire Department
2007	MGL c. 39, § 23D (Ch. 79 of the Acts of 2006)	Permitting a member of a board, committee or commission holding an adjudicatory hearing to vote despite missing a meeting
2011	MGL c. 32B, § 18	Requiring all eligible retirees to enroll in Medicare B
2011	MGL c. 32B, § 20	Permitting Town to set up an irrevocable trust for other post-employment benefits liabilities
2011	MGL c. 40, § 6C	Permitting appropriation money for the removal of snow and ice from private ways within Town limits that are open to public use
2011	940 CMR § 29.10	Remote participation in meetings of public bodies
2014	MGL c. 59, §5, Paragraph 54	Establish a minimum fair cash value of \$3,000 for personal property accounts to be taxed beginning in Fiscal Year 2015
2015	MGL c. 59, §5K	Board of Selectmen establish property work-off program for taxpayers over 60 years old, beginning in Fiscal Year 2016

2015	MGL c. 41, §81U, Paragraph 12	Proceeds of bonds or deposits shall be available to the town to meet costs and expenses of the town in completing work, without appropriation, as approved by the Board of Selectmen.
2016	MGL c. 44, § 53F½	Establishing the operation of cable PEG (Public, Education, Government) access service, effective fiscal year 2017.
2016	MGL c. 59, § 21A	An assessor or assistant assessor who completes study and training and has been awarded a certificate by the International Association of Assessing Officers and/or the Association of Massachusetts Assessors and provides proof thereof to the Board of Selectmen shall receive compensation in addition to the regular compensations in an amount equal to 10% of such regular compensation, not to exceed \$1,000 annually for full-time employment, or \$500 for part-time employment. An assessor awarded both certificates shall receive compensation for only one of such certificates. Effective July 1, 2016.
2016	MGL c. 64L § 2	Establishing a local sales tax on sale of restaurant meals originating within the town by a vendor at the rate of 0.75% of the gross receipts.
2017	MGL c. 41, § 110A	Allowing Town departments to remain closed on Saturdays [3-7-2017]
2017	MGL c. 64N, § 3	Allowing Town to impose local sales tax no greater than 2% of the total sales price received by a marijuana retailer.
2017	MGL c. 44, § 53E-1/2	Revolving accounts – originally accepted 1992. Amended ATM 5-8-2017 by adding a new section to permanently establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town department, boards, committees, agencies or officers. Amended STM 11-20-17 for sources of revenue for Council on Aging.
2017	MGL c. 138, § 33B	Allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Sunday, the last Monday in May and on Christmas Day or the day following when said day occurs on Sunday.
2018	MGL c. 64N, § 3	Town may impose a local sales tax on the sale or transfer of marijuana or marijuana products by a marijuana retailer at a rate no greater than 3% of the total sales price. A marijuana retailer shall pay a local sales tax so imposed to the commissioner at the same time and manner as sales tax due the commonwealth. And impose a 3% local sales tax of the total sales price received by the marijuana retailer to anyone other than a marijuana establishment.