

# Framingham Open Space and Recreation



Whatever your passion, the City of Framingham offers extensive recreation opportunities. This brochure offers a summary and links to more information.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### Framingham Parks and Recreation

[www.framinghamma.gov/parks](http://www.framinghamma.gov/parks)

[www.framinghamma.gov/beaches](http://www.framinghamma.gov/beaches)

[www.framinghamma.gov/keefepool](http://www.framinghamma.gov/keefepool)

[www.framinghamma.gov/loring](http://www.framinghamma.gov/loring)

### Framingham Conservation Land

[www.framinghamma.gov/conservationland](http://www.framinghamma.gov/conservationland)

### State Parks (Callahan & Cochituate)

<http://www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/region-north/>

### Garden in the Woods

[www.newenglandwild.org/visit/Garden-in-the-Woods](http://www.newenglandwild.org/visit/Garden-in-the-Woods)

## BEACHES

[www.framinghamma.gov/beaches](http://www.framinghamma.gov/beaches)

The City operates three beaches that are staffed from mid-June to mid-August. Beach tags can be purchased from the Recreation Office at 475 Union Ave in June of each year. Annual beach tags are \$15 per resident or \$40 per family.

- Learned Pond Beach – 48 Shawmut Terrace (off Prindiville Avenue)
- Saxonville Beach – Lake Road (off Old Connecticut Path near the Wayland line)
- Waukshakum Beach – 54 Nipmuc Road (off Route 126 near the Ashland line)

## INDOOR RECREATION

- **Joseph P. Keefe Pool** – 750 Winter Street: Owned and operated by the Keefe Technical School. The Framingham Parks and Recreation Department offers public and senior citizen swim times October through April. Swim lessons are given on Saturday mornings in the fall and spring.  
[www.framinghamma.gov/keefepool](http://www.framinghamma.gov/keefepool)

- **Edward F. Loring Skating Arena** – 165 Fountain Street: The City rents this municipal skating arena to area groups. The Arena is home to the Bay Path Figure Skating Club and Framingham Youth Hockey. Public skating and stick time are available September through April.  
[www.framinghamma.gov/loring](http://www.framinghamma.gov/loring)

## PLAYGROUNDS AND FIELDS:

[www.framinghamma.gov/964/Parks-Athletic-Fields-and-Recreation-Fac](http://www.framinghamma.gov/964/Parks-Athletic-Fields-and-Recreation-Fac)

The Department of Parks and Recreation manages over 30 athletic fields, parks and playgrounds. Fields and playgrounds operated by the School Department are available to the general public after school hours.

### Playgrounds Key:

<sup>1</sup>includes baseball/softball fields

<sup>2</sup>basketball courts

<sup>3</sup>includes soccer/football fields

<sup>4</sup>includes tennis courts

### Playgrounds:

- Anna Murphy Playground<sup>1,4</sup> - Cove Street and Lake Avenue
- Arlington Street Playground - Arlington and Gordon Streets
- Barbieri Elementary<sup>1,3</sup> - 100 Dudley Road
- Bates Road Playground<sup>1</sup> - off Hollis Street near Ashland town line
- Brophy Elementary<sup>1,3</sup> - 575 Pleasant Street
- Butterworth Park<sup>1,2,3,4</sup> - Grant and Bishop Streets
- Cushing Park - Dudley Road
- Danforth Park Playground<sup>1</sup> - off Cottage Street

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- Dunning Elementary<sup>1</sup> - 48 Frost Street
- Farm Pond Park and Skatepark - Dudley Road
- Hemenway Elementary - Water Street
- Juniper Hill Building<sup>1</sup> - Upper Jocelyn Ave
- King School<sup>1,2</sup> - off Water Street
- Mary Dennison Park<sup>1,2,3</sup> - Beaver Street
- Mason Park - off Maple and Franklin Streets
- McCarthy Elementary<sup>1,2,3</sup> - off Flagg Drive
- Mt. Wayte - Chautauqua Avenue
- Oakvale Park - Burbank Circle off Hadley Road
- Potter Road Elementary<sup>1,2,3</sup> - 492 Potter Road
- Reardon Park<sup>1,2</sup> - Brownlea Road off Old Connecticut Path
- Roosevelt Park<sup>2</sup> - Fay Street and Seminole Avenue
- Stapleton Elementary - 25 Elm Street
- Sucker Pond/Fairbanks Road - off Worcester Road/Route 9
- Temple Street Park - Temple Street
- Walsh Athletic Complex<sup>1</sup> - 301 Brook Street
- Woodfield Playground - Sloane Drive off Water Street
- Woodrow Wilson Elementary - Beaver and Leland Street

## Athletic Fields

- Bowditch Field at 475 Union Avenue is Framingham's Main Athletic Complex and includes a full track, football and baseball fields, basketball and tennis courts.
- Cameron Middle School - baseball fields - 215 Elm Street
- Fuller Middle School - soccer fields - 31 Flagg Drive
- Butterworth Park<sup>1,2,3,4</sup> - also includes a playground - 273 Grant Street
- Walsh Athletic Complex - baseball fields with a playground - 301 Brook Street

## TRAILS AND PASSIVE RECREATION

### State Parks

- Callahan State Park - access off Millwood Street: hiking, fishing, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, picnicking.
- Cochituate State Park - entrance in Natick at 43 Commonwealth Road: a regional park featuring boating, swimming, windsurfing, and fishing on its three large lakes.

### City Conservation Land

- Arthur Morency Woods - access located at the end of Arthur St: Conservation area with trails for hiking and cross-country skiing.
- Carol Getchell Trail - access from behind Stapleton School: Conservation area offers trails for hiking and cross-country skiing.

- Cochituate Brook Reservation - access off Old Connecticut Path just south of Brownlea Road: This 27-acre conservation property offers trails for hiking and cross country skiing.
- Farm Pond Park - access off Dudley Road: walking trails, fishing, non-powered boats, and group outings.
- Macomber Woods - access from Badger Road: hiking and cross-country skiing.
- Wittenborg Woods - Wayside Inn Road: hiking and cross country skiing. The main trail also connects with the Bay Circuit Trail.

For information on the City's trail network, visit  
[www.framinghamma.gov/conservationland](http://www.framinghamma.gov/conservationland)

### Private Land

- Garden in the Woods - located at 180 Hemenway Road: A 45-acre botanical retreat operated by The New England Wildflower Society with over 1,600 varieties of plants and wildflowers.  
[www.nativeplanttrust.org](http://www.nativeplanttrust.org)
- Nobscot Scout Reservation - located on the west side of Edgell Road on the Sudbury Town line: hiking trails.  
[www.svtweb.org](http://www.svtweb.org)