



Town of Ipswich 2018 Adopt-an-Island Program Application Conditions for Planting and Maintaining Islands

The Adopt-an-Island Program was instituted by the Town of Ipswich to beautify the roads in and leading into Ipswich. As such, the Town asks that all participants in the Program agree to plant and maintain their designated island in compliance with the following conditions.

- 1) Island plantings must be completed by June 1st, 2018, and must be maintained and watered through December 1, 2018, with an option for the holiday season (through February 1, 2019).
- 2) A design proposal (including proposal for the holiday season) shall be submitted with the Adopt-an-Island application to the email address below for committee review and approval.
- 3) Design of the island must use **only** natural plant material (shrubs, flowers, etc.). The mulch should be only dark brown.
- 4) The height of plants should not exceed 30 inches and cannot impede visibility for vehicles.
- 5) The sponsor shall be responsible for maintaining the island by weeding, keeping it free of trash, and refreshing plant material during the season.
- 6) Signage on the island is optional and shall be limited to one sign paid through a fee payable to the Town. The sign will include the name of the sponsor [only]. Production of the sign will be coordinated through the Town. The sign specifications are as follows.
 - a) Material: ½-inch PVC material
 - b) Size: 10 inches tall, 12 inches long
 - c) Colors: White and black lettering and background (sample at the DPW office)
 - d) Posts: 1-inch square aluminum tubing
 - e) Font: "Ipswich" font
- 7) Planting of islands under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Highway Department (MHD) must be approved by the MHD and, therefore, require an additional application (available from the Ipswich DPW).

The intent of the program is to beautify Ipswich. Please be advised, therefore, the Shade Tree and Beautification Committee reserves the right to assign islands that are not maintained to another sponsor.

Please keep this page of conditions and refer to it as necessary during the planting of your assigned island. Thank you for your participation in the Adopt-an-Island Program. Renewal applicants receive priority, followed by new applicants. Please complete the accompanying application as soon as possible and send to:

adopt-an-island@ipswich-ma.gov

Town of Ipswich DPW
(978-356-6612)

Confirmation of your sponsorship will be sent to you upon review of your application.

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