



# Commonwealth of Massachusetts EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING & LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A, § 3, notice is hereby given of the proposed permanent promulgation of emergency amendments to regulation 760 CMR 67.00 – Eligibility for Emergency Assistance (EA), which were adopted effective March 14, 2025, and April 11, 2025. EOHLC's regulatory authority for this action is provided under St. 2009, c. 4 and M.G.L. c. 23B, as amended by St. 2025, c. 1. In accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 5, the proposed permanent emergency amendments have a minimal or non-existent Small Business Impact. The purpose of the emergency amendments is to immediately adopt the provisions of St. 2025, c. 1 for the Emergency Assistance program (EA). EOHLC proposes to make the emergency amendments permanent.

Written comments on the proposed amendments to the regulation may be submitted at any time before 11:59 PM on May 16, 2025, by sending the same electronically to [EOHLCRegulationComments@mass.gov](mailto:EOHLCRegulationComments@mass.gov), including "Comments on 760 CMR 67" in the subject line. Copies of the emergency amendments proposed to be made permanent, and of the proposed regulation amendments are posted on EOHLC's website at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/eohlc-regulations-current-regulations-and-proposed-amendments>.

## Initial Small Business Impact Statement

(As required by M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2, 3 & 5)

**CMR No: 760 CMR 67.00**

**Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation:** None. This regulation affects individual families participating in the Emergency Assistance (EA) program and non-profit organizations contracting with the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) as shelter providers.

### Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer)? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective? (Performance standards express requirements in terms of outcomes, giving the regulated party flexibility to achieve regulatory objectives and design/operational standards specify exactly what actions regulated parties must take.) No. Performance standards are not appropriate as a basis for eligibility and compliance in the Emergency Assistance program.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation? No. Emergency Assistance is a unique program created by state statute.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities?

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Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements?  No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? No. The amendment is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? No. The amendment is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?  No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?  No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses?  No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective? No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses. Accordingly, such performance standards would not apply.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses?  No. The amendment does not impose any obligations on small businesses and is not expected to have any impact on small businesses.