

Guidance from the Attorney General's Office on Website Posting

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Many municipalities are choosing to adopt their website as the official method for posting notice, in accordance with 940 CMR 29.03, but some wish to do so only temporarily. That is fine; they may either decide in the future to revoke the website using the same method (vote of a public body or authorization by the chief executive, depending on the type of public body), or even decide now that the authorization extends only for the duration of the state of emergency or until some specified date. The public body or municipality must notify our office by email (OpenMeeting@mass.gov) of the decision to adopt the website as the official notice posting method, and then must notify our office again in the future if the municipality or public body reverts to posting a physical notice. **We cannot log notices that contain an end date; we will need to receive a subsequent notification if the posting method reverts in the future.**

Sincerely,

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