

## MBTA Communities Section 3A Guidelines are out – here's what you need to know

What can I do in August 2022?	What can I do in September/October 2022?	What can I do after November 1?
☐ Carefully review the final guidelines issued on August 10, 2022. Bookmark this website and keep checking it as additional materials are uploaded.	☐ Pursue any one of the activities in the column to the left.	☐ Pursue any one of the activities in the two columns to the left.
Read about Technical Assistance opportunities related to Section 3A compliance. If you're not sure which is best for your situation, inquire about where and how to get Technical Assistance through an online form available at the primary website <a href="here">here</a> .	☐ Attend/watch a recording of the EOHED/DHCD presentation of the guidelines, date: September 8, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.  There is a registration link for the webinar <a href="here">here</a> .	Download the Compliance Model Workbook and watch a video that will walk you through instructions about how to use this tool to calculate multi-family unit capacity and overall density of your district
☐ Develop an Action Plan and submit the online application to DHCD. The deadline for these is January 31, 2023. Find the online Action Plan form <a href="here">here</a> .	☐ Attend one or more of MHP instructional webinars on that can be found <a href="here">here</a> when they are scheduled.	☐ Work with Technical Assistance providers to engage your community with information about new multi-family district requirements. Locate districts and create zoning text. Use the Compliance Model to test various scenarios.
☐ Do you think you have a compliant district? Apply to MassHousing Partnership (MHP) to participate in an early evaluation of your multi-family district.	☐ Download and review a Sample Bylaw from the MHP website for consideration in your community (anticipated to be available in October).	☐ Submit the online District Compliance application to DHCD on the Section 3A website by the deadlines in the guidelines.
☐ Email DHCD at <a href="mailto:DHCD3A@mass.gov">DHCD3A@mass.gov</a> with questions you have about the guidelines	☐ Read about and apply for Technical Assistance from MHP for help on a variety of compliance related tasks.	

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