

TOWN OF LEYDEN
2026 LEYDEN CENSUS

Census information is important!

The data from this Census impacts many public services to our town and is used to publish the Annual Street List.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. VERIFY and/or COMPLETE all information listed on the form.

- ✓ ALL current household members should be listed. (see FAQ below)
- ✓ **Occupation:** Enter occupation, not title or employer; for minor children, "child" or "student" is ok.
- ✓ **Nationality:** Only if not a US citizen.
- ✓ **Veteran:** A "Y" indicates the person is a veteran of the US Armed Forces.
- ✓ **# Dogs:** All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed annually (MGL. Ch. 140, § 137). See enclosed form.
- ✓ **# Cats:** Optional.

2. MAKE CHANGES below or next to the listed information.

- ✓ Enter "M" for **MOVED** or "D" for **DECEASED**, if appropriate.
- ✓ **Voters who have MOVED cannot be deleted without their original signature.** Please provide a forwarding address if possible, so I can be in touch with them and can remove them with their permission.
- ✓ **CHANGES to a voter's party or address** require an original signature. Please sign beside your name.
- ✓ **CHANGES for household members not registered to vote** do not require that person's signature.

3. ADD NEW MEMBERS to the family or household.

- ✓ Enter name and other information on a blank line.
- ✓ New members who are eligible and wish to become registered voters, see FAQ below.

4. SIGN / DATE and RETURN this form to Town Hall within ten (10) days of receipt.

- ✓ Mail to: Town Clerk at 7 Brattleboro Road, Leyden, MA 01301
- ✓ Using the provided envelope, you may add a stamp and return the census by US mail, or you may return your census with no stamp needed in the black drop box outside Town Offices (7 Brattleboro Road).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHO should I INCLUDE in our household?

- ✓ **Household members away at school, in military service, or living in a nursing/medical facility** can and should be included if they use this address as their legal residence.
- ✓ **Young adults "planning to move out"** may remain on the census until they claim residence or register to vote elsewhere.

I am a PART-TIME RESIDENT of Leyden, and my legal voting residence is elsewhere. SHOULD I respond?

- ✓ **Please complete & return the census, noting on the form that you are a part-time resident.**

If Leyden is not your legal or full-time residence and you do occupy your Leyden address for at least part of the year, PLEASE DO return the census. Completing and returning the census does not change your "legal residence" for voting or tax purposes; it does help us to know you're here part time.

Are CHILDREN included on the published STREET LIST?

- ✓ **NO.** Although children are included in this census, by law we are not allowed to release any information about residents under 17 years of age to anyone other than school or public safety officials.

How do I REGISTER to VOTE?

- ✓ **ONLINE:** Visit RegisterToVoteMA.com
- ✓ **BY MAIL:** Contact your Town Clerk so that a voter registration form can be mailed to you
- ✓ **IN PERSON:** Complete a voter registration form at Town Hall