

Welcome Package

Fast Facts:

Dallas Plantation is located in Franklin County Maine and considered to be part of an area known as the Rangeley Region. A plantation is a type of civil division exclusive to Maine that has the all the power of a town but differs slightly in responsibilities; plantation assessors serve as selectmen and there are fewer officers than in towns. Current officers' names, positions and contact information can be found on the plantation website.

Assessor meetings are held every other Tuesday at 6:00pm at the Plantation Town House unless otherwise noted. The public is always welcome and encouraged to attend. An agenda and minutes are posted on the website.

The annual meeting of the Plantation is held on a Friday in June to elect Assessors and vote on the town budget. Written notification is posted. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Property tax bills are issued in the month of October and due within 30 days. Questions or concerns may be brought to the Assessors in person or by letter. Property Assessment cards are available at the town office. Deeds are available at the County Courthouse in Farmington.

Social welfare concerns may be brought to the attention of the Assessors directly or to the town clerk. A free confidential referral service is available to connect you with available resources by dialing 211 statewide. This is a collaborative effort with the State of Maine Health and Human Services, the United Way and The Opportunity Alliance.

Emergency Services:

In an emergency call 911

911 Address Number Sign – Display your Plantation issued blue and white sign street number at the intersection of driveway and road or on house/structure if no more than 50 feet from road and visible from the street. New construction will be assigned a street number by the addressing officer. 911 address number signs are available from the town office.

Sheriff: 207/778-2680

Non-emergency Fire: 207/864-3800

Ambulance: 207/864-0938

State Police: 800/452-4664

Game Warden: 800/452-4664

Rangeley Family Medicine: 207/864-3303

Franklin Memorial Hospital (Farmington) 800/398-6031

Rangeley Family Medicine located at 42 Dallas Hill Rd. provides medical services and has an assortment of medical equipment available to loan for those in need. Contact the office at 864-3303.

The Rangeley Public Library, 7 Lake Street 207/864-5529 offers both local and national periodicals as well as: public computers, wireless internet, fax, copying, printing, books, DVDs, audio books and e-books for children & adults.

Get connected, stay informed: The Chamber of Commerce is extremely helpful providing information of local interest for residents as well as visitors. There are several local papers: The Highlander, The Irregular and The Daily Bulldog; postbox holders receive a free weekly Mountain Messenger and the regional paper is the Franklin Sun Journal, many are available online. There are several social media outlets available on Facebook that one can join, try searching out "Rangeley" on Facebook for informal information by joining a group.

Thrift Shop and Food Bank: A thrift shop and food bank operates out of the Church of the Good Shepard lower level. Donations are always welcome. The Transfer Station also has a facility for donations of useable items not quite ready for the dumpster.

Postal and Delivery Services:

The **USPS** Rangeley Post Office serves our area, located at 2517 Main St. Rangeley.

UPS delivers and picks up at The Chamber of Commerce, 6 Park Rd. Rangeley and SnowSource at the corner of Pond and Main Street.

A **FedEx** drop box is located in front of the Franklin Savings Bank at 2573 Main St. Rangeley.

Addressing your packages for home delivery: Dallas Plantation has no USPS rural delivery. UPS, FedEx and other carriers will deliver to a street address provided you use both your local street number followed by Dallas Plantation, Rangeley ME 04970.

Transfer Station: the Rangeley Transfer Station located at Loon Lake Road serves Dallas Plantation. Transfer stickers are available at the station for residents. Bulk waste conditions and fees apply payable by check or stickers available at the Rangeley Town Office, 15 School Street. 864-5610. Hours: Summer/Winter Monday – Saturday 8:15am – 4:15pm; additional hours Summer only Sunday 9am – 1pm. Further information: <http://www.townofrangeley.com/190/Transfer-Station>

Rangeley Lakes Regional School serves grades Kindergarten through 12th grade, located at 43 Mendolia Rd. Rangeley. 207/864-3311. Website: www.rangeleyschool.org

Dallas Plantation residents are eligible to receive a scholarship upon graduation sponsored by Poland Spring. Contact the town office for further information

Licenses and Laws Quick References:

Dogs must be licensed - Available at the town office. Further reference:

https://www1.maine.gov/online/dog_license/faq.html and
<http://legislature.maine.gov/statutes/7/title7sec3923-A.html>.

Leash Law – According to [7 MRS §3911](#), “it is unlawful for any dog, licensed or unlicensed, to be at large, except when used for hunting.” [7 MRS §3907](#) defines “at large” to be “off the premises of the owner and not under the control of any person whose personal presence and attention would reasonably control the conduct of the animal.” Further reference:

<https://legislature.maine.gov/lawlibrary/what-is-maines-law-on-dogs/9461>

No ATV or Snowmobile traffic on public roads in Dallas Plantation. A properly registered snowmobile or ATV may be operated on a public way only the distance necessary, but in no case to exceed 500 yards, on the extreme right of the traveled way for the purpose of crossing, as directly as possible, a public way, sidewalk or culvert. Further reference: <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/atv-snowmobile/snowmobile/laws-rules.html>

Public Roads and Private Roads – A complete list of the public and private roads within Dallas Plantation is available on our website. Only public roads are maintained by the plantation.

During the winter months sand is made available at the town office outside the sand shed. A single bucket of sand is permitted to be taken when needed by residents of the plantation. No commercial use of this sand is lawful. No filling of truck beds or sanders is permitted. No one other than plantation employees is allowed within the town sheds without exception.

Voter Registration –

Who can register and vote in Maine? To register, you must be a United States citizen, at least 17 years of age, and have established a fixed principal home in Maine.

How do I register to vote? You fill out a voter registration card. See the sample card and instructions at: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/voter-info/voterguide.html>

Where do I go to register? You can register to vote at the town office, through any Motor Vehicle branch office, in most state & federal social service agencies, or at voter registration drives.

Completed voter registration cards may be hand delivered or mailed to the town office or city hall, or sent to the Secretary of State's Office in Augusta. Further Reference:

<https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/voter-info/voterguide.html>

Car Registration – is available at the town office. Vehicles must be registered within 30 days of becoming a resident. Further Information: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/bmv/registration/index.html>

Drivers License – You must obtain a new Maine license within 30 days of becoming a resident of the State of Maine.

BMV Locations: <https://www.maine.gov/sos/bmv/registration/index.html>

Hunting and Fishing License – Can be obtained at the town office. **From Agents:** Licenses can also be purchased from agents throughout the state (sporting good stores, many convenience stores, town clerks, and turnpike service centers). Agents who process applications online for moose and antlerless deer permits may charge a fee of \$2.00.

From MDIFW: Residents and nonresidents may obtain hunting licenses from the MDIFW office in Augusta, either in person, online at [mainefishwildlife.com](https://www.maine.gov/ifw/hunting-trapping/licenses-permits/hunting-license.html), or (for non-residents) by mail. Further Reference: <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/hunting-trapping/licenses-permits/hunting-license.html>

Building Permit –

Dallas Plantation is governed by the State of Maine Land Use Planning Commission (LUPC). Building permits are processed by LUPC. Applications are available online or at the town office. Further information and applications are available at:
https://www.maine.gov/dacf/lupc/application_forms/index.shtml

Driveway Permit –

New driveways onto a public road are required. Please contact the town office.

Fire Permit –

A permit is required for all fires and can be obtained by calling our fire warden Jeep Wilcox at 864-5260, located at 128 Orris Lamb Road, Dallas Plantation.

Please bear in mind conditions are very changeable in our area and the fire warden will make the best possible decision in determining the feasibility of a permit.

Fireworks –

Local Ordinance: Within the Loon Lake York Wildlife Sanctuary consumer fireworks are not permitted. See specific ordinance: https://www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/fireworks/documents/dallas_plantation.pdf

State of Maine Fireworks Ordinance: Please refer to the state guidelines as the Guide for Consumer Fireworks: <https://www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/fireworks/documents/generalguidefireworks.pdf>

Discharge of a Firearm -

A person may not: discharge a firearm, including a muzzle-loading firearm, or crossbow or cause a projectile to pass as a result of that discharge within 100 yards of a building or residential dwelling without the permission of the owner or, in the owner's absence, of an adult occupant of that building or dwelling authorized to act on behalf of the owner. See Maine state law for specifics: <http://legislature.maine.gov/statutes/12/title12sec11209.html>

Dallas Plantation Townhouse

Non-potable water is available at the Town office building during the summer months.

Notary services are available at the Town office during business hours.

Copy services are available in limited quantities at a cost of: _____

Area Churches:

Church of the Good Shepard Episcopal Church, 2614 Main Street, Rangeley; 864-3381.

Our Lady of the Lakes, Roman Catholic Church, Oquossoc; 864-3795.

Rangeley Congregational Church, 4 High Street, Rangeley; 864-5966.

Rangeley Free Baptist Church, Main Street; 864-5251.

St. Lukes Roman Catholic Church, Lake Street; 864-3795.

Summer services Union Log Church, Oquossoc Ave. Oquossoc ; 864-5838.

Rangeley Health and Wellness offers various fitness programs; 43 Dallas Hill Road, 864-4397.

HELP – Helping Elders Live in Place

WSS – Winter Senior Social, Jan.-March, Thurs. 10-2; games, cribbage, socializing and hot lunch provided.

Full service gym.

Ascent Physical Therapy on site with a therapy pool.

Children’s after school and summer programs.

Pickleball courts inside and out.

Game fields.

Massage therapy.

Senior Services:

Meals on Wheels delivery service is run through the Rangeley Townhouse, 14 School Street, Rangeley. Meals can be delivered or you can enjoy the meal on site.

Transportation to medical appointments is available through Rangeley Region Health Appointment Transportation, the RRHAT van. Contact the Rangeley Town office for more information: 864-3326.