

Direction: R = right, L = left, S = straight, BL = bear left, BR = bear right

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Newton Conservators

Tour de Newton

Mile	Dir	Cue
0.0	L	Exit <i>Nahanton Park</i> parking lot onto Nahanton St.
0.4	L	Intersection Winchester St. <i>Caution!</i> [In heavy traffic, cut through the <i>Jewish Comm. Center</i> to Winchester St.]
1.1	R	Onto Rachel Rd.
1.4	L	Onto Dedham St.
1.7	R	Onto Woodcliff Rd.
2.3	S	Cross Rte. 9 (Traffic Light Cross Walk)
2.7	BR	Cross Centre St. onto Hyde St. (Use Cross Walk)
2.8	R	Onto Lake Ave (at <i>STOP</i>)
2.9	BL	Stay on Lake Ave at <i>STOP</i> at Rogers St. (<i>Crystal Lake</i>)
2.7	S	Lake Ave. curves around <i>Crystal Lake</i>
3.5	S	Cross at Beacon St. at <i>STOP</i>
3.5	BL	Onto Pleasant St. at <i>STOP</i> , Cross Homer St. at 3.8 mi
3.9	BR	Onto Ashton St.
4.0	L	Onto Cedar St.
4.2	S	Cross Commonwealth Ave at <i>Cross Walk</i> .
4.4	S	Cross Mill St. at <i>Edmands Park</i> onto Blake St. (<i>Gravel !</i>) 50 yards of unpaved <i>gravel</i> beginning downhill.
4.9	R	Onto Cabot St.
5.0	L	Onto East Side Parkway (<i>Cabot Park</i> is on left.)
5.4	R	Onto Newtonville Ave.
5.4	L	Onto Lewis St. and bridge over Mass Pike
5.6	R	Onto Washington St.
5.6	L	Cross Washington St. onto Jackson St. at <i>Cross Walk</i> at the <i>Jackson Homestead</i> historic site.

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9.2	R	Onto Elm St. (<i>Curb !</i>), cross bridge into Waltham
9.3		Cross Elm St. at lights on <i>Cross Walk</i> at River St.
9.3	L	At RR tracks onto the roadway between old mill buildings and past the <i>Charles River Museum of Industry</i>
9.5	S	Crosswalk across Moody St. onto Charles River Pathway
10.1	S	Continue on CR Pathway to terminus at Prospect St.
10.1	L	Onto Prospect St. , cross bridge (stay right or on sidewalk)
10.1	R	Into the parking lot of the old <i>Waltham Watch Factory</i> .
	S	Continue between building and river
	BL	at end of parking lot
10.4	R	Onto Crescent St.
10.5	R	Onto Woerd Ave. continue across <i>Purgatory Cove</i>
10.9	S	Onto Forest Grove Rd
11.2	BR	At circle in <i>MDC Forest Grove Park</i> , onto GRAVEL ! path parallel with the river, pass <i>brick pumping station</i>
11.3	S	into <i>Auburndale Park</i> (if impassable following rains, try L onto path on the other side of the dam)
11.4	S	bluestone exercise trail along <i>Ware's Cove</i> to <i>Lyons Park</i>
	BR	where path forks, continue uphill. <i>Soft sand</i> at submarine
11.9	L	Onto Islington Rd. at corner of Commonwealth Avenue
	L	Onto Commonwealth Ave side walk then Carriage Rd.
12.0	R	Crosswalk at lights at Ash St. and Commonwealth Ave
12.0	S	Onto Ash St. (<i>Caution! One Way, Wrong Way!</i>)
12.2	R	At Melrose St. rotary onto Auburn St. at <i>Auburndale Libr</i>
12.4	L	onto Woodland Rd. across bridge over Mass Pike

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5.9	S	On Jackson St. at <i>Perl St.</i> lights past <i>Jackson School</i> and <i>Lincoln-Elliott School</i> and playground.
6.2	L	Onto Morse St. (<i>Watertown/Newton Line</i>)
6.2	R	Onto Watertown St. (Rte 16). Get ready for L onto Fifth St.
6.3	L	Onto Fifth St. in <i>Watertown</i> (<i>caution</i> for Rte. 16 traffic).
6.4	S	Cross California St. (<i>CURB !</i> , Use <i>Cross Walk</i>)
6.4	L	On <i>sidewalk</i> on north side of California St.
6.5	BR	Onto Charles River Pathway west (upstream)
6.7	S	On CR Pathway past <i>observation decks</i> and <i>Forte Park</i>
7.1	BR	On <i>sidewalk</i> on N side of California St. toward <i>Bridge St.</i>
7.2	BL	at the first driveway onto California St.
7.2	S	Cross Bridge St. at lights, stay on California St. [<i>CR Pathway</i> to be constructed <i>Bridge</i> to North Sts.]
7.6	R	Onto Nevada St.
7.8	L	Onto Albemarle Rd. (get ready for quick right)
7.9	R	At <i>footbridge</i> cross <i>Cheesecake Brook</i> (<i>CURB!</i>)
7.9	R	On west side of Albemarle Rd. (<i>CURB !</i>)
7.9	L	Onto Anthony Rd. Follow R around <i>Anthony Circle</i>
8.0	R	Onto Farwell St.
8.2	R	Onto North St. (get ready for left before bridge)
8.3	L	Cross North St. at Charles River Pathway granite sign
8.3	S	On Charles River Pathway
8.6		Observation decks; view of low mill dam (<i>Bleachery Dam</i>)
8.7	S	Past foot bridge paralleling an old RR bridge (nice views of the river and wetlands from footbridge)
9.0	S	Cross Newton St. (use curb cuts!) back on CR Pathway
9.2	S	past <i>McKenna Plgrnd</i> and <i>Cacciatore Ballfield</i> in Waltham

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12.6	R	Onto Hancock St.
12.8	BR	Onto Grove St. (pass <i>Riverside T & Rte. 128</i>) <i>Yield!</i>
13.6	L	Onto Rte 95/128 Access Rd (goes behind highway rest stop to <i>Rte 16</i> at the <i>Pillar House</i>)
13.9	S	Cross Rte 16 on Quinobequin Rd. with <i>Pillar House</i> on your left (<i>Caution! Also Rte 128 onramp</i>) [Side trip: R on Rte 16 to <i>Cordingly Dam</i> behind the parking lot of the <i>Stone House</i>]
14.0	BL	Take Quinobequin Rd. under 128, then along river (<i>Caution!</i> the right fork is the <i>Rte. 128</i> on ramp!)
14.2	S	Cross <i>Cochituate Aqueduct</i> & follow Quinobequin Rd.
15.7	S	Cross under Rte. 9 (STOPS!) <i>Hemlock Gorge</i> on R
15.8	S	Up Ellis St. hill past <i>Echo Bridge</i> on R
15.9	R	Onto Chestnut St. through <i>Upper Falls</i>
16.0	S	past <i>Mills Falls</i> and the <i>Braceland Playground</i>
16.0	S	Cross Elliot St. at traffic lights
16.4	R	onto Oak St. (past <i>Biltmore Café</i>) and cross the RR tracks
16.7	S	Cross Needham St. at the <i>paper mill condominiums</i>
	R	take sidewalk across <i>Charles River</i> into <i>Needham</i>
16.8	L	onto Charles River Pathway just over river
17.0	S	across RR tracks (<i>careful crossing tracks !</i>)
17.3	S	onto Fourth Ave.
17.7	L	Onto Kendrick St. (<i>Traffic, Caution!</i>)
17.8	S	across <i>Charles River</i> onto Nahanton St. in <i>Newton</i>
17.8	L	into <i>Nahanton Park</i> parking lot
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