



March 16, 2020

MEMORANDUM: COVID-19

FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT UPDATES

There were two updates this morning – one from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tJ7HY-IBGYM> and from BC's Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Health Minister Adrian Dix - <https://www.facebook.com/BCProvincialGovernment/videos/507483736630760/>

A short summary of each update is available at the bottom of this e-mail. Of note, the Province of BC is extending a ban on mass gatherings of groups of more than 50 people. They are also reminding everyone about the 14-day self-quarantine for those who have been out of country; stay home if you're sick; wash your hands frequently; and practice social distancing.

LACROSSE ACTIVITIES

Given the mandate of the Province of BC's further ban on gatherings of groups of more than 50 people, the BC Lacrosse Association Board is issuing a directive that all lacrosse activities are suspended until further notice. We will continue to provide updates as they become available.

OFFICIALS TRAINING/CLINICS

Officials clinics that were going to be held in March are postponed. Most Entry Level, Level 1 and Level 2 box officials clinics do not begin until April. The BC Lacrosse Association is cancelling all lacrosse activities until further notice, so this is to make you aware that it is possible that we will not be able to run Officials Clinics in April and we will let you know when we know. Arrangements have been made by the BC Lacrosse Officials Group to continue with their Level 3-5 certification.

If we are unable to deliver officials clinics in a timely manner, we will be extending box lacrosse officials certification at the same levels as the official received in 2019. These individuals MUST HAVE taken an Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 Box Lacrosse officials training in 2019. We will post relevant updated information on the BCLA website and on-line community to ensure that officials have any new policies and rules that are to be implemented in the 2020 season.

The BC Lacrosse Officials Technical Support Group and the BCLA are working on a training alternative for new officials should we not be able to hold officials clinics in the near future.

COACH TRAINING/CLINICS

The BC Lacrosse Association is cancelling all coaching clinics until further notice. If necessary, the BC Lacrosse Coaches Technical Support Group and the BCLA Board have agreed to be flexible on the following for coach training and certification as we head into the 2020 season. Depending on the situation with COVID-19, we will reschedule coaching clinics when it is deemed safe to return to regular activities.

If we are unable to deliver coaching clinics, box lacrosse coaches who have current box lacrosse training will be allowed on the bench. In other words, if a coach requires further training as outlined on the Form 100, if necessary, we will not be mandating further training because we cannot hold clinics. These individuals MUST HAVE some level of Box Lacrosse coach training.

For new coaches or coaches who do not yet have any training, individuals must complete the following in order to be on the bench for the 2020 box lacrosse season:

- 1. Box Community Development Pre-Course Work** – New coaches who register for a clinic will receive an “Access Code” from Deb Heard – deb@bclacrosse.com. This code will allow the coach free access to register onto the NCCP Site - nccp.lacrosse.ca site. Any coach who has previously received some lacrosse coach training (field or women’s field) will already have access to this site.
 - Once registered and logged onto the site, click on “Status”.
 - Select Box Lacrosse, then Community – Development, and then Pre-Clinic Assessment.
 - There are five modules of reading and answering multiple choice questions.

- 2. Making Headway in Sport Online Concussion Module**
 - Coaches can access this free module on the Coaches of Canada website - www.coach.ca
 - Click on “The Locker” (highlighted in red)
 - Enter your NCCP# and password to log in.
 - Once logged in, click on “e-learning” and then “Making Headway in Sport” module will be listed on the left hand side. Click on that. Select the Sport (Generic) module.
 - If you cannot remember your NCCP# or password, click on “lookup my NCCP#” or “Forgot password” and enter email address. This will be the email address that was used during a previous coaching clinic.
 - If you do not have an NCCP#, click on “Don’t have an NCCP#? Create one now!”. This will take you through the registration process.
 - Coaches who have taken any previous coach training, in any other sport, will already have an NCCP#. Please do not register for more than one. If you are having issues, please contact Dave Showers, the BCLA Technical Director, and he will be able to assist you.
 - For new (untrained) Box Lacrosse coaches, the Box Community Development (Level 1) course will need to be completed at a later date, once we can present coaching clinics again.

Please contact Dave Showers, the BCLA Technical Director, with any questions or concerns regarding Official and Coach Training– E-Mail: dave@bclacrosse.com or phone (604) 421-9755 Ext. 1.

FIELD DIRECTORATE SPECIAL SESSION

The Field Directorate Special Session was scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2020. We will be postponing this meeting to a future date (to be confirmed). All previous deadlines for proposed changes to the Field Directorate Operating Policy, nominations for elections, etc. are still in place. The only dates that will change are the registration deadline for this meeting, and the meeting date.

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Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

March 16, 2020 – 10:41 AM

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- Denying entry to Canada who are not citizens or landed immigrants.
- Air travelers who show symptoms will not be allowed on flights.
- Support program for Canadian travelers to get home or trying to get home.
- Starting March 18, only 4 Canadian Airlines will be accepting International flights – Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and Calgary
- Health Canada Updates – Today after his remarks. Updates will be provided at noon starting tomorrow March 17/20.
- Additional measures to announce, possibly tomorrow.
- Provinces and territories are making their own decisions.
- We need an aligned, Canada-wide approach.
- Take every precaution to keep everyone safe.
- Buy only what you need at the store.

Posted on Global News Site:

Canada is facing an unprecedented slow down of daily activities as schools, public libraries and recreation centres, fitness clubs, clothing retailers, and restaurants temporarily close or scale back services.

Provincial Health Officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Health Minister Adrian Dix:

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- Province is extending a ban on mass gatherings of groups of more than 50 people.
- The Province is not cancelling school since we are on Spring Break; yet an announcement is expected Tuesday (March 17/20).
- 103 Cases at March 16/20 at 11:30 AM.
- Emphasizing that if a person has been out of country that they self-quarantine for 14 days; if youre sick, stay home; wash your hands frequently.