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## **VIA EMAIL**

December 3, 2020

Attention: BC Soccer Full/Associate Members and Affiliated Soccer Clubs

From: BC Soccer

Re: Provincial Health Authority Announce Added Restrictions on December 2, 2020

Dear Full/Associate Members and Affiliated Clubs,

Yesterday, December 2, the BC Health Authority and specifically Dr. Henry announced added restrictions that impact soccer in BC. These fall under the Provincial Health Authority Order so we must comply.

The information on the <u>BC Government website stating the restrictions</u> was updated today. There are still some grey areas, however, based on the updated and new information BC Soccer is advising all members and affiliated clubs of the following that applies to sanctioned soccer activity in BC:

- The Order expiry is not stated.
- The Order applies to all regions of the Province.
- Indoor and outdoor soccer for adults (19 years and older) is suspended.
- Indoor and outdoor soccer for youth (under 19 years of age) can occur under <u>BC Soccer's Phase</u> <u>1 Guidelines</u> (the previous phase where players participated in-club "distance training" with no game-play) with the following restrictions in place:
  - Physical distance is now classified as 3 metres.
  - No spectators.
  - Players may travel to their home club/team. Team travel must be limited to stay within each city/municipality.
    - Where there is a city and municipality or two or more municipalities in the same area, we consider them combined as one (i.e. Township of Langley and City of Langley are considered one). For clarity, this means team travel to, from, and between cities/municipalities can not occur. Team location is based on the team's parent club/organization location.
    - The only player exemption is noted on the BC Government website.

We will continue to liaise with ViaSport, the link between the BC Health Authority and the BC Sport Sector, to gain any additional information and clarity on the Orders. Once received, we will communicate to members/clubs as quickly as responsible. Thank you all for your understanding and the hard work you are all doing to support soccer through these everchanging times.

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CC: Charlene Krepiakevich, CEO, ViaSport British Columbia BC Soccer Board of Directors and Staff