

To: Ringette Saskatchewan Associations From: Ringette Saskatchewan, Executive Director Date: August 4th, 2021 RE: Lifting of Restrictions

On Sunday June 11, 2021, Saskatchewan entered Step 3 of Saskatchewan's Re-Open Road Map where all existing COVID-19 Public Health Orders and restrictions were rescinded including the removal of the province-wide mandatory masking order, and the removal of limits on events and gathering sizes. With this change, Ringette Saskatchewan's Board of Directors will not be mandating our Return to Ringette Guidelines for next season and all our return to play restrictions are lifted.

The Premier and Saskatchewan's Chief Medical Health Officer have emphasized that while the provinces restrictions ended, COVID-19 has not. While we welcome this less restrictive 'world' we ask our Associations to continue operating cautiously and safely. Everyone will approach and feel differently about this progress when our season begins; therefore, we ask that we continue to respect each other and what we each choose to do to feel comfortable moving forward.

RAS Board of Directors and staff hope the news that we will be returning to normal next season lifts a weight off your shoulders, and that you can focus on what the future holds for your Association. We're optimistic and excited that we will be able to enjoy and participate in ringette in its fullest going forward.

Once again, thank you to all organizers for your dedication to the game and participants' safety. You have put in a tremendous amount of work this past year that does not go unnoticed. The opportunities you've provided to your players, officials, and coaches have meant a lot to those that love the game.

Sincerely, Ruchelle Himmelspeck, Executive Director