

Returning to Ringette – An Update from Ringette Canada

We are all so anxious to get back to ringette: to reconnect with our community, to experience all the physical and mental benefits of being back on the ice, and to enjoy all the wonderful things that make our sport special.

Getting back to ringette will signal a return to what we knew as life before the COVID-19 pandemic, something we are all looking forward to with great anticipation.

As much as we would love to give the "green light" to jump back into the sport we are so passionate about, we can only return to ringette when we know it's safe to do so. We have no way to predict when that's going to happen. Like every other sport in Canada, we are developing detailed plans so that we're ready to go when governments and public health authorities lift restrictions.

Ringette Canada and all Provincial Ringette Associations are collaborating closely together on a return to ringette pan-Canadian plan that will ensure a consistent approach right across the country. Throughout the month of June, we will seek feedback from a cross-section of clubs, coaches, officials, athletes and parents, while also considering all of the health, legal, facility and insurance implications as we develop this plan.

Ringette Canada and your Provincial Ringette Association will keep you up-to-date on our progress and provide the information you need to make your own informed decisions.

Canada has fared better than many other countries through this pandemic by making well-informed decisions based on the best available information. That's exactly what we're doing within the ringette community. We have to be cautious and methodical because to rush into it would mean putting your health at risk.

Ringette WILL return. For a while, it will look different and may feel a bit different, but the heart and soul of our sport will not change.

Thank you for being patient and please continue to be safe.

Sincerely,

Natasha Johnston Executive Director