



To: Ringette Saskatchewan Members
From: Ringette Saskatchewan, Executive Director
Date: September 8th, 2020
RE: Return to Ringette Update

The Return to Ringette Guidelines and the Return to Ringette FAQ have been updated.

Last week, RAS had a meeting with representation from the Business Response Team (BRT), Sask Health, the Ministry of Parks, Culture & Sport, Sask Sport and fall/winter contact sports to gain further clarity on sport guidelines. The meeting was productive, and we appreciated the opportunity to speak directly to senior leaders at BRT and Health.

Below are the updates that we can share at this time. We made progress in several key areas; however, Members should be aware that this information is subject to change at any time

Mini Leagues – Coaches & Volunteers

ONLY under the following circumstances may a coach or volunteer participate in more than one mini league:

- The coach always maintains 2 metres social distancing and wears a non-medical mask
- Or If the coach cannot always maintain social distancing, they must wear medical (surgical or procedural) mask.
- **Coaches that cannot follow either of the above requirements, must remain in one mini league.**

Mini Leagues – Officials

ONLY under the following circumstances, may an official participate in more than one mini league:

- The official always maintains 2 metres social distancing and wears a non-medical mask
- Or If the official cannot maintain social distancing at all time, they must wear medical (surgical or procedural mask).
- Member Associations will also need to determine an alternative to an official blowing the whistle (i.e. electronic whistles).
- All officials need to continue best practices of not touching equipment with hands, maintain social distancing during ID checks, pre-game routines and post-game routines (no handshakes), etc.

Mini Leagues - Coach/Officials/Volunteers that are also players

- A volunteer, coach or official can also participate as a player in a separate mini league but only if they follow the guidelines above when participating as a coach/official/volunteer.

Unsanctioned Sports

- There have been concerns that the restrictions on sport will drive athletes to participate in non-sanctioned sports that are not following the same standards. The BRT informed us that any unsanctioned sports must also follow the same rules and guidelines in the Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan. Enforcement is supported by public reports to the BRT. 1-844-800-8688

Please continue to visit our Covid-19 Resource hub that will hold all information and tools related to returning to ringette <http://www.ringettesask.com/covid-19-resource-hub/>.

We are committed to you and your safety.

Sincerely,
Ruchelle Himmelspeck, Executive Director