



MEMORANDUM

To: All Ringette Alberta Members and Registered Participants

From: David Myers, Executive Director

Re: Update related to Public Health Measures Announced by the Province November 12, 2020

Date: November 20, 2020

This afternoon, Ringette Alberta participated in a sport town hall with Alberta Health regarding the temporary restrictions that came into effect November 13, 2020.

There are three key areas of confusion I hope to address. The following is based on information obtained in the town hall and over the last few hours.

1. Individual participation in communities without enhanced restrictions

Participants from municipalities listed in the Order may continue to play/participate in municipalities not listed in the Order if they were part of a team in those municipalities not listed in the Order prior to November 13, 2020.

For example, player lives in Rockyview County but plays on a Cochrane Ringette team or lives in Redcliff but plays on a Medicine Hat team – this is permitted.

2. Travelling to communities without enhanced restrictions

Teams from municipalities listed in the Order may not move their activity to municipalities not listed in the Order.

For example, a team from Calgary may not book ice time in Cochrane or High River and travel to that community to participate.

3. Outdoor participation

Attending outdoor sports activities such as hockey, luge, ringette would be allowed but the use of dressing rooms is prohibited.

At this time, we do not have clarity on whether physical distancing is mandatory so, to err on the side of caution until we can get clarification, the following are in effect:

- Games / scrimmages are prohibited.
- Teams may conduct physically distanced outdoor practice.
- Teams may conduct physically distanced outdoor training.
- No other activities or functions of any kind and at any time are permitted.

Where there may be ambiguity in information from Alberta Health, all Ringette Alberta Members and participants (including parents of minor players) are expected to comply with the spirit of the public health orders and not look for, or exploit loopholes, as this will likely result in additional restrictions and further spread of COVID-19. Others are encouraged to help their peers and teammates comply.

When in doubt, choose the safer option.