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### **Safe Return to Sport in the COVID-19 Era**

Message from the Lifesaving Sport Commissioner

I am honoured to begin my time as National Sport Commissioner for the Lifesaving Society Canada; although it is certainly an unusual time. There have been a lot questions about “return to sport”, and we wanted to get a message out to our stakeholders in response to these inquiries.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Lifesaving Society Canada has been carefully monitoring the progression of the virus both in Canada and around the world. In an effort to keep members informed, a number of COVID related Communiques, Information Bulletins and Guidelines have been posted to the National website at <https://www.lifesaving.ca/covid-19.php>.

The National Sport Organization (NSO) is currently working with the Safety Standards Commission in developing Lifesaving Sport COVID-19 guidelines that will highlight information to help keep our athletes, coaches and officials safe as waterfronts and aquatic facilities start to reopen across Canada. I want to assure you that our team is working hard on this, and it is a priority.

At this time, the Lifesaving Society Canada recommends that members check with their PSOs (the provincial/territorial Branches of the Lifesaving Society) and local health authorities regarding safe “return to sport” recommendations.