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To: MSA Members

Re: MSA INDOOR RTP PROTOCOLS – 2020-2021

Dear All,

The Manitoba Soccer Association (MSA) would like to extend our appreciation to everyone who has done their part in following, enforcing, cooperating, encouraging, and supporting the Return to Participation (RTP) protocols established for the outdoor season.

As you know the RTP protocols were established with the assistance of Canada Soccer, Sport Manitoba, provincial health authorities, member clubs and leagues, and the MSA Board of Directors. We thank everyone for their input and guidance.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a massive impact on all of us and as the statistics have shown the pandemic will get worse before it improves. We need to take this reality into account as we prepare for the indoor season.

The MSA has consulted with Canada Soccer, Sport Manitoba, provincial health authorities, member clubs and leagues, and facility operators to revise the current protocols and adjust them for the indoor season.

Attached you will find the MSA Indoor RTP Protocols for 2020-2021. Please note the following:

- Sections highlighted in yellow have been revised for the indoor season
- The concept of stages remains in these protocols
- The indoor season will start in Stage 3, unless otherwise announced (i.e. Westman Region in Stage 2)
- Teams that are new for indoor must complete the Canada Soccer Assessment Tool. Outdoor teams that wish to reassess their readiness to continue with indoor may also use the tool.
  - This tool will assist in evaluating your readiness for a return.
  - Please review the MSA Indoor RTP Protocols before completing this tool.
  - Please note that this tool must be completed prior to your club/organization/team's first scheduled activity. (i.e. if the players are training it must be completed prior to your first training session. If the organization is only taking part in competition, it must be completed prior to your first match).
  - Please ensure that only one representative from your organization/club/team completes the tool.

- This assessment tool is only for the sole use of member organizations and is not to be circulated or posted.
- Canada Soccer Assessment Tool Link: <https://returntoplay.canadasoccer.com>

We once again urge everyone to PLEASE adhere to the protocols as this is one of the major ways in which we stand a chance of continuing to play soccer during the indoor season.

If COVID-19 cases arise in our sport, we will be forced to pull back by moving to a different stage that would eliminate games for the indoor season, potentially impacting practices, or shut down the sport. We all play a role in the safety of the participants and the continuation of soccer.

If we work together everyone can continue to enjoy the game during the indoor season. For the betterment of all participants and the sport please follow the RTP protocols.

Thank you and please be safe.

Sincerely,



Héctor Vergara  
Executive Director

cc: MSA Board of Directors