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## EMSA Covid-19 Memo-Re: MLHU-RED ZONE

Attention EMSA Club/League Executives:

We are saddened to hear that effective Monday, December 14, 2020 the Government of Ontario has moved the Middlesex-London Heath Unit Region into the RED (Control) Zone. As you may already know, all of the indoor leagues played at the BMO Centre, Club intrasquad games, exhibition games and travel will be paused until further notice.

Clubs that train and/or play in the MLHU Region will need to review the latest Ontario Soccer RTP Guide with details of the new protocols, **under PHASE 1**. *Clubs, please take some time to connect with all coaches/trainers to ensure they understand the restrictions indicated in Phase 1 if they decide to continue to train.* 

Please note for those clubs that have been training under Outdoor 2020 OSCAR registration, your insurance will expire December 31, 2020. Outdoor 2021 registration is open on OSCAR for those who wish to continue to train in 2021.

Please visit the BMO website at <a href="www.bmocentrelondon.com">www.bmocentrelondon.com</a> or contact them at <a href="maintom:info@bmocentrelondon.com">info@bmocentrelondon.com</a> to obtain more information regarding the new Covid-19 measures in place. A major change is the limit of 10 people maximum (<a href="player and coaches included">player and coaches included</a>) on each quarter field. A special thank you; goes out to the BMO Management and staff for their continued work and efforts to ensure the safety of all during this pandemic.

Some Clubs may decide to pause any programming at this time. We at EMSA know that these are challenging times for many and hope to be able to safely welcome you back in 2021. Our EMSA Covid-19 Committee has started generating thoughts about the Outdoor 2021 Season. In the upcoming months, we hope to support our Leagues, Clubs and Match Officials in their planning.

A reminder that EMSA organizations fall under different Public Health Units, depending on the Region. If you are unsure which Region your organization is in, please visit <a href="https://www.phdapss.health.gov.on.ca">www.phdapss.health.gov.on.ca</a>. Members are encouraged to stay in contact with their local Public Health Unit and Municipality in the event that additional restrictions are implemented in your area.

We hope that everyone has a safe and healthy Holiday Season.

**EMSA Board of Directors and Staff** 

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