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INFORMATION BULLETIN

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CC:	Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff
From:	Johnny Misley, Chief Executive Officer
Subject:	Government of Ontario announcement on Toronto, Ottawa and Peel Region

Ontario Soccer, in consultation with Canada Soccer and the Government of Ontario, continues to monitor the most recent developments surrounding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the resulting public health crisis and Ontario Soccer's Return to Play Plan.

The Government of Ontario <u>announced today</u> that it is taking further steps to curb the spread of COVID-19 in what it has deemed as 'hotspot' communities.

Today's announcement comes with tighter public health restrictions to organized team sports.

Effective Saturday October 10, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. for 28 days, the Government of Ontario has stated the following regions are affected by today's announcement:

- Toronto
- Peel Region
- Ottawa

Ontario Soccer has reviewed today's announcement and the regions defined by the Government of Ontario as hotspots are now only permitted to participate in training activities, with no games or competition permitted.

As well, social gathering limits and organized public event limits have been adjusted to 10 people for indoor and 25 for outdoor activities in these regions.

As part of Return to Play protocols, these three regions will now return to ONLY Ontario Soccer's Phase 1: Return to Training (modified training). Reminder that at this phase, participation is ONLY permitted within the Club/Academy. Note: No trials are permitted during this 28-day period.

Please refer to Page 7 of the <u>Return to Play Guide</u> for complete details of Phase 1.



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Organizations in these regions are encouraged to review the Return to Play Guide to ensure they are following all Health and Safety protocols particular to this phase.

Member organizations are encouraged to stay in contact with their local <u>Public Health Unit</u> and Municipality in the event these organizations have implemented additional restrictions that may affect their soccer operations.

As a reminder, the Government of Ontario has imposed a 28-day period for these orders and they will be reassessed with further updates forthcoming.

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For further information please refer to the latest bulletins on the <u>COVID-19 Updates</u> page, which has all the latest information from Ontario Soccer, as well as resources for your members. Please consider placing a dedicated link to the <u>COVID-19 Updates</u> on the homepage on your website.

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