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Information Bulletin

Bulletin #: IFC2020 – 013
Date: May. 12, 2020
To: IFC Membership, Staff
CC: IFC Directors
From: Frank Iazzo, Athletic Director
Subject: Ontario Soccer COVID-19 Update

Dear Members,

In consult with Canada Soccer and governmental advisors, **Ontario Soccer has announced that all sanctioned in-person soccer events and activities for the month of June have been suspended.** While we realize this will be a great disappointment to teams, coaches, players and their families, we also want to be sensitive to the situation at hand.

Our first priority is the health and safety of everyone involved. We also understand the importance of doing everything we can to help our student-athletes return to the field this summer, even if that means we'll require compliance with safety measures that adhere to the PHAC and provincial and municipal governments. When play does resume, we will share a comprehensive list of protocols before returning to play.

We're hopeful that the continued suspension of activities through June, puts us in a better position to begin the 2020 Outdoor Season for OASL, OSL, Grassroots and all other leagues across Ontario in July. We will continue to monitor the provincial guidelines for resuming organized youth activities – including sporting venues, and keep you up to date about any opportunity to return to normal activities as soon and as safely as possible.

In response to this most recent announcement, I'd like you to know what steps we will be taking, in addition to our previous communicated bulletins on [March 23](#), [March 25](#), and [April 8](#).

- **IFC Summer Festival (June 27-28) – Postponed**
- **IFC Academy Combine (June 29-30) – Cancelled**
- **2020 Grassroots Outdoor Season Target Start Date – July 2nd**



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- **Academy payment moratorium for members on a monthly instalment plan in the month of June.** After which, we will begin administering partial tuition credits and/or refunds in the succeeding month of July to “monthly” and “full payment” registrants.

These past couple of months have been a trial for us all, and we’re not out of the woods yet. There are certainly some encouraging signs, however, not least of which is the willingness of so many to accept the short-term hardship in service to the greater good. If we all remain resolute and keep up the good fight by behaving responsibly and obeying public health guidelines, we’ll more quickly find ourselves back on the soccer fields again, living more normal lives and enjoying the sport that keeps us all together!

Sincerely,
Frank Iaizzo, Athletic Director