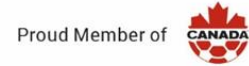




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INFORMATION BULLETIN

Bulletin #: I2021-004
Date: Jan. 12, 2021
To: Ontario Soccer; District Membership, ORA and Associate Members
CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff
From: Johnny Misley, Chief Executive Officer
Subject: Government of Ontario announces State of Emergency

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 [announced today](#) that it has declared a State of Emergency, issued Stay-At-Home Orders and introduced enhanced enforcement measures to deal with organized public gatherings.

Under the declaration of a provincial emergency, the Government of Ontario has provided authority to all enforcement and provincial offences officers, including the Ontario Provincial Police, local police forces, bylaw officers, and provincial workplace inspectors to issue tickets to individuals who do not comply with the stay-at-home-order. Those who do not to abide by these orders will be subject to set fines and/or prosecution by the Government of Ontario.

As a result, all in-person soccer activities remain suspended until further notice. Ontario Soccer will announce when in-person Return to Play activities can once again commence.

Ontario Soccer will continue to update the membership as further changes are made.

Ontario Soccer requests that all member organizations ensure they know which Public Health Unit they are located in. [Click here](#) to find your Public Health Unit.

Member organizations are encouraged to stay in contact with their local [Public Health Unit](#) and Municipality during this period.


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