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Dear MSA Members,

The Manitoba Soccer Association (MSA) would like to extend our appreciation to the “fans” of the games in Member competitions for taking note and doing their part to physical distance at games. We all realize this is not easy times for loved ones that want to see their family members playing the game, but the fans adherence to physical distance is vital to ensuring that our games continue.

We continue to encourage all to follow the provincial health authorities recommendations regarding physical distancing, staying home when not feeling well, proper sanitation, wearing masks, and everything you can do to prevent the spread of the virus.

Children and adults are returning to school in different formats this week. This means that there will be many more opportunities for the virus to spread. We must continue to be diligent in our process during practices and games, whether outdoors or future indoor activities.

As such, we would like to remind the players, team officials, referees, and club staff/volunteers that we must follow RTP protocols and maintain physical distance in the technical areas. Things like putting personal bags two meters apart, avoiding the sharing of pinnies, having a personal water bottle, avoiding handshakes or physical contact at any time (including celebrations), keeping two meter distance at all times (including while seating or standing), and sanitation of equipment are all helpful.

We continue to reinforce that the most important consideration for everyone must be the safety of our players, coaches, referees, and volunteers.

The impact of the pandemic has no boundaries, it is constantly changing, and therefore our updates will continue to reflect the actions we need to take to stay safe.

Please continue to play a positive role in keeping the players playing the games.

Thank you for doing your part.

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