



HOCKEY CALGARY

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Date: March 13, 2020
To: Association President's & Administrators
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CC: HC Board, HC Governors, HC League Chairs

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SUBJECT: Hockey Calgary March 13 Update – Season Cancelled

As we are all aware Hockey Canada officially cancelled the 2019-20 playing season until further notice effective March 13, 2020. From the perspective of Hockey Calgary, the health and safety of our players, coaches, referees, spectators, and other members is our utmost priority. While we are disappointed with the season coming to a sudden end, we understand the reasons why and will support all Albertans in ensuring this outbreak does not spread any further.

Moving forward some key items to be aware of are as follows:

- Hockey Calgary scheduled playoffs will **NOT** be restarting for the 19/20 season. At this point plans are to open for 20/21 as per usual, more information to follow.
- Association operated spring programs (development & 3 on 3) are NOT permitted to run, as per the Hockey Canada directive they are cancelled until further notice.
- Ice Cost reimbursement – it appears the city will reimburse for ice cancellation, all private facilities are reviewing their policies and making decisions as quickly as they can. More information will follow in coming days.
- Tournament Costs – All tournaments are independently run by the tournament organizers, teams will need to reach out to organizers to discuss reimbursement. The assumption is that if the ice costs are reimbursed then so will the teams, likely with a small fee for any expenses incurred for prizing and preparation costs.
- Year End Parties – we request that these be cancelled, we cannot stop social gatherings, but based information from Alberta Health Services they should not continue under the umbrella of a hockey event. No post season skates under Association branding is permitted at all.
- Playoff Champions – no decision on whether to declare a playoff Champion has been made, and we will review in the coming week.

I thank you for your support and understanding as we navigate this unprecedented decision.

Regards,

Kevin Kobelka
Executive Director