



## Coronavirus (Covid-19) – Update March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

On behalf of Softball Saskatchewan and our Board of Directors, I would like to advise the membership that Softball Saskatchewan is further suspending all sanctioned activities until **Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020**. This timeframe follows a recent decision by Softball Canada regarding the suspension of their activities.

For clarity, suspension of softball activities means Softball Saskatchewan will not sanction any organized activities including practices, player evaluations, games, or tournaments. Other events include coaching clinics, umpire clinics and player development clinics and camps. By removing sanctions, we will not cover any of these activities under our liability or personal injury policies until such time when we resume organized softball. This applies to all member Associations and leagues. Further, all Travel Permits previously issued for team travel during this timeframe are hereby cancelled. We will be providing appropriate refunds to families registered for those programs affected by this decision. In addition, we will make every effort to work with hosts and instructors re-schedule those clinics and activities that are suspended due to this matter.

We encourage all our member Associations and leagues to continue to make plans in anticipation that we will still be able to play softball this year. We encourage players and parents to be patient and cooperate with their local associations and leagues as they work through the impact of this situation in the hopes that local softball programs will still operate this year. Currently, we are not entertaining any concessions or changes to existing softball rules and regulations. However, pending how this situation progresses, we will certainly look to adapt and be conscious of making changes to help our members.

We will continue to evaluate and monitor this situation and provide a further update to the membership in early April at the latest regarding any further suspension of sanctioned activities.

We want to wish everyone in the entire softball community in Saskatchewan and across Canada a safe and productive time with family, friends, and co-workers. As our sport relies heavily on the efforts of volunteers, we want to thank each one of you for your dedication, passion, and commitment to our sport, especially during this difficult time.

Take care,

Guy Jacobson

Executive Director