



INDOOR COMPETITIONS

Programming For Post January 2021

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Volleyball for Life



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Current Landscape

- Communities jumping in and out of zoned tiers of the Ontario Framework
- Gathering size limitations for the foreseeable future
 - Best case scenario is 50 people while in the Green to Orange zones
 - Worst case is lockdown with no volleyball
- Lack of facilities – space and time
- Comfort level
- Not all clubs/members re-registered at this point



Why Change is Needed



WHY CHANGE?

- Deliver the mandate of a PSO in Ontario and offer programming to aid in physical and mental health wellbeing of members
- Must follow government and public health regulations
- Must adapt to keep sport alive
- We need a fluid system where matches can take place, but not in a traditional tournament format
- Offer programming for the 63% of Clubs that want a modified competition season
- Working with VC to keep all options open for OC's and National Championship modifications

Note: program details presented today are subject to evolve and change as we progress through the second wave.



Survey Findings

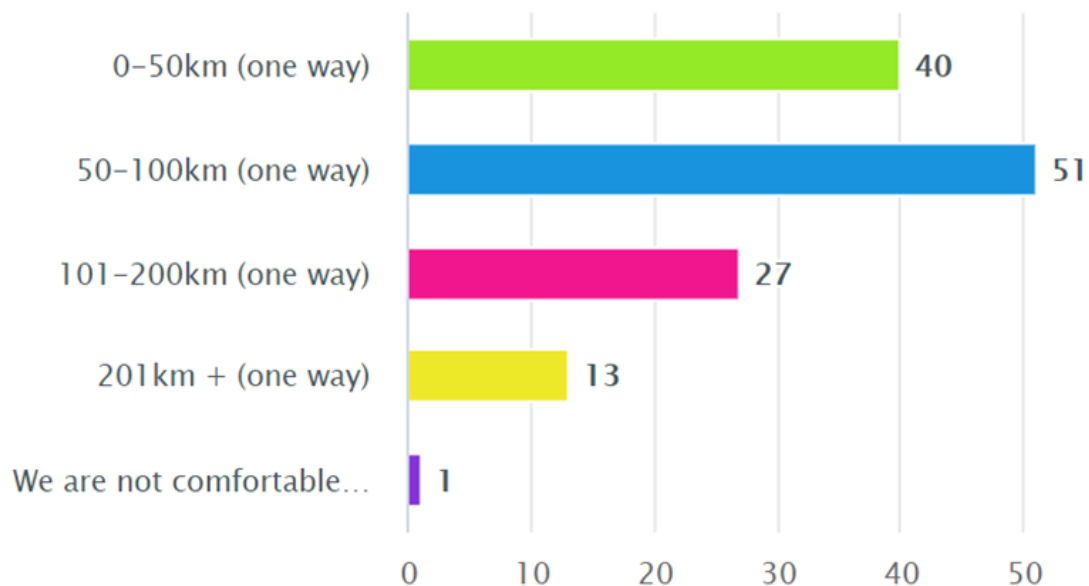
76% of OVA clubs responded to the OVA Return to Play Survey

Do you think the OVA should try to run modified, regular season in the new year leading to an Ontario Championships? Please keep in mind that the potential to run a season based on tournament structure is extremely low due to the current government framework for COVID-19 Mitigation.

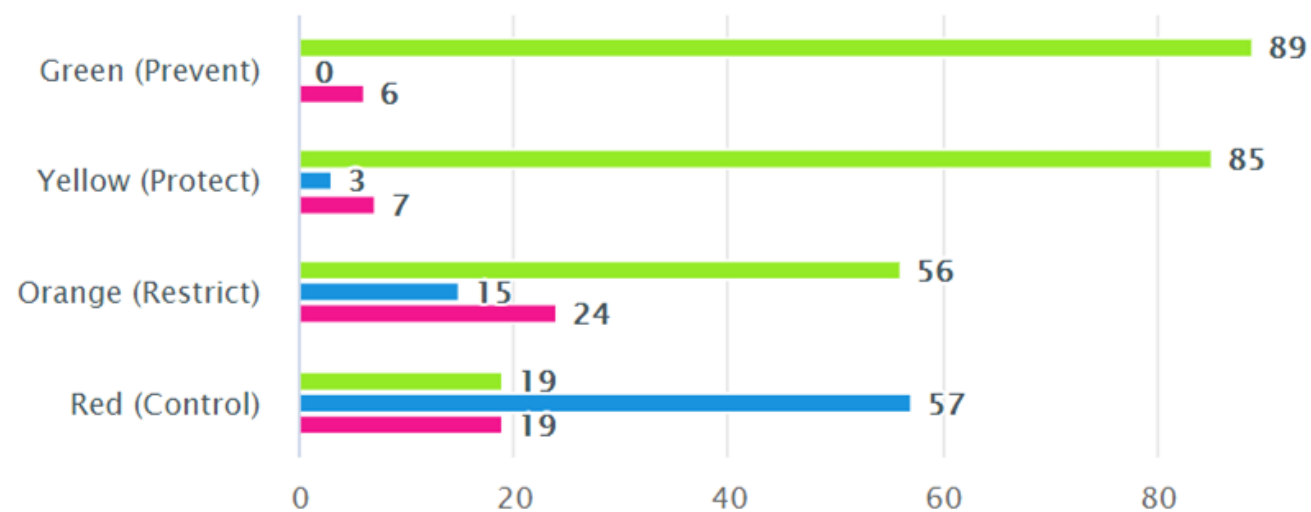


Survey Findings

How comfortable are you leaving your community to play another team for OVA regular season?



Using the government's colour coded COVID-19 framework, please identify which tier of team your club is comfortable scrimmaging against for OVA events?





Why a league format?

- Short term commitment, with the ability to jump in and out of competition
- Keeping the number of participants or leagues within government specifications
- Flexibility with gym times and team schedules
- Minimize travel and time requirements for each team
- Keep cost at a minimum
- The season will be pushed in the Spring and possibly early summer





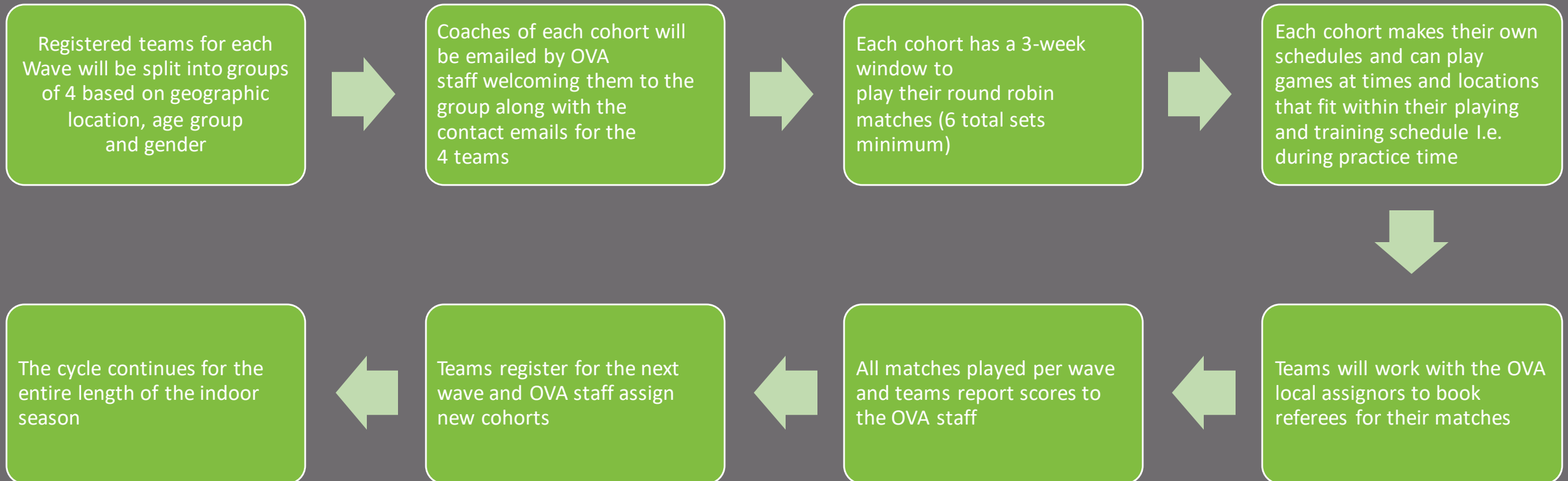
OVA Modified League Play Format

- OVA League Play will be open to teams/individuals who reside in the Prevent–Green to Restrict – Orange zones.
- Members who live in a Control–Red zone but are part of a Prevent-Green to Restrict–Orange team may not take part in OVA League (Competitive) Play
- League play will consist of 3 waves that are 3 weeks long with a 2-week washout period in-between.
- During each washout period it is highly recommended that each team refrains from scrimmages outside of their cohort.
- Proposed dates:
 - Provincial Wave January 30th - February 19th
 - Challenge Wave March 6th - March 26th
 - McGregor Wave April 10th - April 30th

**potential to push the modified season later depending on COVID-19 landscape*



OVA Modified League Play Format Series of Events



OVA Modified League Play Format



- By having teams create their own playing schedules within their cohort, it helps to alleviate the issue of lack of permits for full day rentals.
- The teams within the cohort can schedule "one off" matches over the three-week period during any of one of their normal practice sessions
- Geography will be used as the primary factor to assign teams to cohorts; however, skill level will also be accounted for when splitting out cohorts
- Due to the flexibility required to run a league during a pandemic, each age division and cohort may be split slightly differently and require different considerations, but skill level will be taken into consideration with creating age combinations for smaller divisions I.e. 17U/18U Boys may be a cohort together.



Score Reporting & Reshuffling Team Cohorts

- Winning teams will be responsible for submitting results to the OVA after each match within the wave (all coaches must be copied on the email) with a picture of the score sheet
- The OVA will record match results and these results will be used to aid future competition scheduling and competitive balance for the next wave
- The standard OVA tiebreaker procedure will be used to break all ties
- After each wave is complete, we will reshuffle teams with each region and the cycle will repeat for those teams that have registered for the next wave
- Soft uniform rules will apply for each wave





Estimated Costs Per Wave

- Cost \$275 + HST/wave (approx.) for matches with best 2 of 3 (teams encouraged to play 3-straight)
- Cost \$360 + HST/wave (approx.) for matches with best 3 of 5
- What's included:
 - Cost of your gym time will be paid up to:
 - 90 minutes for a 2 out of 3 (11-16U)
 - 120 minutes for a 3 out of 5 (17U & 18U)
 - OVA official fees will be covered for 1 referee per match
 - For the 11-16U age group, the referee will be paid for a 3-straight match to get more playing time in
 - Ranking and league administration
 - League kit per team (hand sanitizer, scoresheets, lineup cards)
 - Bonus previously loved MVA ball for first 250 teams registered
- Members will need to have a full membership to participate in the League format





Outlook for Ontario Championships or Spring Championships (SCs)

The festival style Ontario Championships will not be permitted for 2021.

There will be no Ontario Championship Winners for 2021, instead we will recognise spring or early summer Champions

We will be pushing the indoor season into the spring/early summer and are in negotiations with RIM Park and Paramount Fine Foods Centre to adjust potential dates and are working with VC for Nationals adjustments

Our Goal for the Spring/Summer Championships is to offer a wave wrap up for the teams that have participated in our league

Eligibility requirements for the SCs will be determined at a later time

The SCs will be hosted by the OVA which includes medals and other types of team/athlete recognition

At this time there are still many unknowns as to what the Spring/Summer will bring, however we are committed to delivering volleyball to our community. More information will be forthcoming in early 2021.

Next Steps



- General email blast to Club Presidents
- General email blast to all members one week later
- Updating OVA website with potential format for January 2021 onwards
- Creating of the *Modified Season Manual*
- Clubs register their teams in MRS to ensure they are accounted for in the planning of the modified season and be covered by OVA insurance
- Continuous work on a modified Spring/Summer Championship model with more information to membership in early 2021



Questions?



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Upcoming OVA Town Hall Sessions

- Sunday December 6th @ 10am: OVA AGM – Via Zoom
- Monday December 14th @ 7:30pm: Referee Update
- More information for January Town Halls coming soon!



Thank-you OVA community!

