



VIA EMAIL

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Attention: BC Soccer Members and affiliated Clubs

From: Gabriel Assis, Director of Operations

Subject: Updates on Club Licensing Implementation

Canada Soccer has recently updated its Rules and Regulations, extending the deadline for all clubs to be licensed Quality Soccer Providers under the Club Licensing Program from 2022, to 2023, as follows:

*“d) Amateur Clubs who operate a youth programme will be required to apply for, and receive, a Canada Soccer national youth Club License. Various levels of youth licence are available, however **all amateur Clubs operating a youth programme will be required to hold as a minimum requirement Quality Soccer Club Licence by the start of season 2023.**”*

The updated version of Canada Soccer’s Rules and Regulations [can be found here \(10.4, Club Licensing – page 17-18\)](#).

For BC Soccer affiliated Clubs, this timeline extension supports the transition from BC Soccer’s Charter Program allowing for better planning ahead of the 2023 requirement. In BC, the requirement of “Quality Soccer Provider” will be needed **by September 2023**, regardless of the club’s playing season.

In order to take full advantage of the additional time granted by Canada Soccer, BC Soccer has fully updated the “[BC Soccer Club Licensing Platform](#)” (formerly Charter Platform/CRM) with all the criteria and resources available to support BC Soccer’s affiliated Clubs on achieving Canada Soccer’s Quality Soccer Provider designation.. These include “[Respect in Sport Activity Leader Certification](#)” for all coaches and team personnel, as well as new Safe Sport policies and guidelines to be adopted.

We have also updated the Club Licensing portion of the website to provide more information on requirements, timelines, and how BC Soccer is here to support your club.

BC Soccer Review and Application Timelines

The following timelines have been established to conduct review and support applications of organizations seeking the “Quality Soccer Provider” designation:

- September 1st to March 31st – Application and Assessment Cycle for Clubs in the Coastal Region
- April 1st to August 31st – Application and Assessment Cycle for Clubs in the Interior Region

Outside the Applications and Assessment Cycles, BC Soccer will continue provide year-round support and guidance to any organization working to meet the license requirements. If your organization is yet to enter the Club Licensing Program, please contact us by **June 30, 2021** to apply for the next Cycle.

We look forward to work with you!

For further details, please contact [Alfonso Munoz](#), Member Services & Club Licensing Officer

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