



Information Bulletin

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To: Ontario Soccer, District Membership, Associate Members, and ORA

CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff

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Subject: Discipline Hearings and the Suspension of All Sanctioned Soccer Activities

Due to the indefinite suspension of all sanctioned soccer activities, Ontario Soccer are advising all Members to suspend all scheduled Discipline Hearings until sanctioned soccer activities have resumed. Additionally, Ontario Soccer advises that all Members suspend the scheduling of any further Discipline Hearings at this time.

Once all sanctioned soccer activities have resumed, Members can reschedule their Discipline Hearings and commence scheduling new Discipline Hearings. Ontario Soccer also requests that all Members refrain from using any tools that may allow for a Discipline Hearing to be conducted remotely.

Please note that Section 12, Procedure 2.3 of <u>Ontario Soccer's Operating Procedures</u> will be considered suspended at this time. Governing Bodies will be given leniency in regards to the Statute of Limitations when accepting reports of misconduct and carrying forward Discipline Hearings as a result of suspended soccer activities.

Members are also advised that a pause will be placed on those individuals who are currently serving a time suspension which is the result of a Discipline Decision from a hearing held prior to the suspension of soccer activities. All Members serving a time suspension will resume their suspension once all sanctioned soccer activities resume.

For information regarding the Ontario Soccer Discipline processes, please contact <u>Matthew Braithwaite</u>, Manager, Administration.