



June 4, 2021

To: BCLA Members

Re: **BC Lacrosse Association (BCLA) Return to Lacrosse Guidelines Restart Plan 2.0**

The BCLA Return to Lacrosse Committee and sub-groups have worked hard to update and align our new guidelines with viaSport's Return to Sport Restart 2.0 so we can safely deliver Lacrosse activities. Lacrosse is back. Please be patient as we transition together with our Return to Lacrosse activities.

BC's Restart Plan 2.0 Step 1 is in effect as of May 25, 2021. viaSport BC's Return to Sport Restart 2.0 is a step-by-step plan for Provincial Sport Organizations to follow and to develop their own Return to Sport plans. The **BCLA Return to Lacrosse Guidelines Restart Plan 2.0** aligns with viaSport BC's Return to Sport Restart Plans.

See [Government of BC's Restart Plan](#)

See [viaSport BC's Return to Sport Restart 2.0](#)

See [BCLA Return to Lacrosse Restart Plan 2.0 Guidelines](#)

In order to return to lacrosse activity, BCLA association/club members must read, understand and agree to abide by the **BCLA's Return to Lacrosse Restart Plan 2.0 Guidelines**.

Next Steps-

Those BCLA-Member associations/clubs that want to proceed with Lacrosse activities in accordance with the **BCLA Return to Lacrosse Guidelines Restart Plan 2.0** must take the following mandatory steps listed in the BCLA Member Declaration of Compliance.

NOTE: Most association/clubs have already completed a Declaration of Compliance and sent to the BCLA. However, associations/clubs will need to update their safety plans to reflect the updated activities with your city/municipality/facility.

The BCLA Declaration of Compliance measures must be in place prior to any individual's participation in a BCLA-member lacrosse activity.

See the [BCLA Member Declaration of Compliance](#)

Presently, the big difference for the lacrosse community is that we collectively can play, instead of restrictions of play. Please take a common sense approach and continue to follow your association/club and city/municipality safety guidelines. We caution not to jump fully into lacrosse contact activities right away. With the addition of contact and game play outdoors, we must carefully reintroduce and teach safe contact methods to our athletes.

Please stay in contact with your facilities. They too are planning the next steps of the Restart Plan. Be patient and work together as the transition indoors will be a work in progress.

The transition between the viaSport Restart Plan steps of will be dependent on case counts, hospitalizations, and vaccination rates. Movement between these steps will occur quickly and we all must be ready to adapt to these changes.

The BCLA will continue to update the BCLA Membership through e-mails, on-line Community of Practice, social media and the BCLA Website as we move through the Restart 2.0 Plan.

To assist our associations/clubs with the Restart Plan and answer questions, please contact Gerry Van Beek, BCLA President – gerry@bclacrosse.com Jeff Gombar, BCLA Executive Director – jeff@bclacrosse.com or (604) 421-9755 Ext. 3.

Thank you for your patience. We're almost back playing the sport we love!

Yours in Lacrosse,
Gerry Van Beek
BCLA President