

NORTHERN ONTARIO HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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Frequently Asked Questions - COVID-19

Will the 2019-2020 season re-start?

No, unfortunately, the 2019-2020 season is cancelled.

What are Hockey Canada sanctioned activities?

Hockey Canada sanctioned activities include all games, playoffs, try-outs, practices, camps, team activities (that includes team parties and banquets), programs and Provincial, Regional, and National Championships. Click here to see further information on sanctioned events.

Can our organization host meetings/conduct coaching interviews? What about our AGM? The recommendation from medical professionals is to avoid meeting in large groups. The recommendation is to avoid meeting in person unless it is necessary.

When will we be able to get back on the ice?

The 2019-2020 season is cancelled. The cancellation may extend beyond 2019-2020. The Hockey Canada Board will decide when sanctioned hockey will resume in Canada.

What does this mean for NOHA Spring Coaching/Trainers Clinics and the NOHA Development Weekend?

The NOHA has cancelled NOHA Development Weekend that was to be held May 22 to 24, 2020 in Sudbury. The NOHA has cancelled the HTCP Level III Trainers Refresher/Full Clinics. The NOHA will not be organizing any Coaching Clinics until the Hockey Canada Board indicates when sanctioned hockey will resume in Canada.

If one of our players/team officials tests positive who should we report to?

You should report this to the NOHA Office (Jason Marchand) and advise the other players and team officials from the team.

Is the NOHA Office closed for the foreseeable future?

As of the afternoon of March 17, 2020, the NOHA Office will be closed to the public. As well, all Staff are working remotely from home and continue to perform their day-to-day duties and are available via e-mail from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. See the Contact Us Page, located here: https://www.noha-hockey.com/contact to contact our Staff or our Executive Listing, located here: https://www.noha-hockey.com/board-of-directors to contact our Board Members.



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What does the cancellation of the season mean for the 2020 NOHA AGM in Sault Ste. Marie?

We are currently reviewing our options for the NOHA Annual General Meeting. Given the current situation and recommendations regarding gatherings with larger groups, we are looking at alternatives for hosting the meeting. We will communicate with our Membership as soon as we have further information.

How do outside hockey schools or Spring/Summer teams fit in with the stoppage? Can we stop our players from attending those?

These non-sanctioned programs operate outside of Hockey Canada's bylaws and regulations. If they continue to operate, they would be doing so on their own accord. Similarly, participants would not be covered under Hockey Canada's insurance program.

Given that some of the Tournament of Champions have been cancelled, will we be receiving a refund?

The NOHA is working closely with the Host Associations on this situation and hope to resolve the situation as soon as possible.

When can tryouts commence?

Per the OHF Memo that was distributed on March 16, 2020, located <u>here</u>, tryouts will not take place in the Spring. The NOHA will work with the OHF and its Members on this.

Where can I obtain additional information on the return to hockey?

We are in continuous discussions with the OHF, its Members and with Hockey Canada. We will maintain communication with our Associations as we received additional information. As well, we will keep the following page updated with all information that we have received: https://www.noha-hockey.com/covid-19