



# BRITISH COLUMBIA'S RESTART PLAN

## What does it mean for hockey?

### Return to Sport Restart 2.0

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STEP 1 Effective May 25	STEP 2 June 15 (Earliest)	STEP 3 July 1 (Earliest)	STEP 4 Sept 7 (Earliest)
<p><b>Outdoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Practices and competition allowed for youth and adults within their home club*</li><li>Physical distance not required on field of play (i.e. contact is allowed). Off field of play, physical distance of 2 m must be maintained.</li><li>Travel allowed to home club only (and cannot cross travel zones)</li><li>Maximum group size for adults and varsity sport is 50 (if group is a mix of youth and adult, 50 person maximum must be followed)</li><li>No maximum group size for youth to allow for more flexibility (e.g. adult supervision)</li><li>No spectators</li></ul> <p><b>Indoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Same restrictions that were in place prior to May 25<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>3 m physical distancing required for children and adults on field of play</li><li>Adult sport limited to two people</li><li>No spectators</li><li>Travel to home club only (and cannot cross travel zones)</li></ul></li></ul> <p><b>High-performance sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sport Canada carded athletes (Canadian Elite or Podium levels) may travel across the three travel zones</li><li>Canadian Sport Institute Pacific identified athletes** who are not Sport Canada carded can train, travel and compete within their travel zone</li></ul>	<p><b>Outdoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increased travel allowed</li><li>Up to 50 spectators</li></ul> <p><b>Indoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increased travel allowed</li><li>Physical distance not required on field of play</li><li>Competition allowed</li><li>Maximum group size TBD</li><li>No spectators</li></ul> <p><b>High-performance sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Provincial travel restrictions lifted</li></ul>	<p><b>Outdoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increased group size</li><li>Increased number of spectators</li></ul> <p><b>Indoor sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increased group size</li><li>Limited number of spectators</li></ul> <p><b>High-performance sport</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increased travel allowed</li></ul>	<p>Return to normal sport competitions for both indoor and outdoor sport</p>

**ALL STEPS:** Transition between the steps will be dependent on case counts, hospitalizations, and vaccination rates. Sport specific COVID-19 guidance documents and safety plans should be adapted to fit the steps outlined in this Return to Sport Restart 2.0 Chart.

**\*Home club**—the sport organization, club or facility with, or at which, a person is registered for ongoing sport programming

**\*\*High-performance athlete**—a person who is identified by the Canadian Sport Institute Pacific as a high-performance athlete affiliated with an accredited provincial or national sports organization

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 1, 2021

*Saanichton, BC* - Adding to the exciting news from last week's BC Health Update, viaSport, the BC Government's lead delivery agency for sport programs, has released a focused look at the return to sport plan for British Columbia today.

BC Hockey has been working closely with viaSport to develop guidelines to assist our members in planning for the upcoming hockey season. The four-stage plan gives further clarity and provides benchmark dates for all sports in BC.

What does this mean for hockey?

As of today, the order on indoor sports has not changed, but the Return to Sport Plan

identifies June 15, 2021 as the date that restrictions may begin to ease.

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"We are encouraged by the trend we see toward a safer landscape for our return to normal activities," said BC Hockey's Chief Executive Officer, Cameron Hope. "We are excited to start preparations for returning to play hockey."

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