

GAAB Session 14

AA Update

June 2, 2021

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Overview

1. Association update - Covid19
2. Club nonprofit basics



Association Update

Stage 1 of the summer reopening plan starting June 1. This means we can return to training in groups of 10 or less (including coaches) outdoors, masked and distanced, starting **June 1**.

- Outdoor physical, performance and recreation activities – up to 10 distanced people, all ages
- Distancing and masking requirements remain in effect

Exemptions:

- AA will make requests as/when required.
- Clubs are asked to not solicit AHS directly for exemptions.

Timelines:


June 1

Questions



Club Nonprofit Governance

- Why do we require Clubs to be/become nonprofits?
 - Fiscal responsibility
 - Credibility
 - Accountability
 - Funding
- Board of Directors
 - Start with the goals and values of the organization and find people who want to achieve those goals and hold those values.
 - Individual capacity; know-how
- Consult a lawyer to review bylaws
- Follow registration steps:
<https://www.alberta.ca/incorporate-a-society.aspx>

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- Club recommendations:
 - Coaches should be discouraged from being on your club's executive (president, vice, treasurer, secretary) as there will be many decisions that may create a conflict of interest. It's a great idea to have a coach and athlete advisor.
 - Diversify/stagger your board so your directors don't 'age out' with your athletes
 - Keep proper minutes, documentation, and current with Society's Act requirements
 - Keep financial records properly

- Many resources available to help plan/govern:
 - <https://www.muttart.org/publications/board-development-workbooks/>
 - <https://ecvo.ca/> (currently offering Board Dev workshops)
 - <https://www.alberta.ca/board-development-program.aspx>
 - <https://charityvillage.com/learning-centre/>

- Best Practices for Club Nonprofits
 - Register all board members as Associates - even if you hold a different role as member
 - Criminal record checks for everyone associated with your club
 - Create communications processes (from Club admin through to coaches/parents/board members)
 - Ensure all people associated with your Club have completed Safe Sport training
 - <https://safesport.coach.ca/frequently-asked-questions>

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