



Return to Play

September is now upon us and we wanted to share a note and provide some context about our upcoming registration for 2020-2021. Special Olympics Saskatchewan and Special Olympics Regina have been working on protocols and logistics to ensure our programs can restart in the safest way possible. However, there are realities and circumstances that will influence what we can do:

- Some of the facilities we use have restrictions around the number of people permitted at one time to maintain social distancing
- Some of the facilities we use are unavailable for use at all because of restrictions (school gymnasiums)
- Some volunteers and coaches are not comfortable or are unable to return to weekly programs
- Some of our programs require more volunteers to ensure we are following the safety guidelines and without them, some programs may not be able to run

Therefore, some programs will not be running in-person programs at all and others may be running at a reduced capacity, smaller groups.

We recognize that some athletes are not comfortable returning or need to delay returning. Anyone with underlying health conditions that elevate the risk for contracting COVID-19, we strongly encourage contacting a health care provider for clearance.

As we move forward, the Provincial Pandemic Response System will guide us in implementing any changes to in-person programming.

Registration information will be coming out in late September, which will include specific information on the health and safety measures, the programs we will be offering as well as what athletes can do to prepare to return. We want to thank you in advance for your patience.

Be assured, Special Olympics Regina is committed to providing a range of safe program options for our volunteers, coaches, and athletes.

Things will be different, and we realize how difficult this is. We are in this together.... understanding why, what, and how we are moving forward is so important.

If you have any questions about our return to play process, or willingness to volunteer, please do not hesitate to contact our community manager Rhonda at 306-529-4337 or soreginacommunitymanager@gmail.com

Special Olympics Saskatchewan has developed a Return to Sport framework that is live on their website: https://www.specialolympics.ca/saskatchewan/return_to_sport

Thank you,

Special Olympics Regina