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Good Afternoon Clubs / Skating Schools, Coaches and Officials:

On May 4th, the Province announced expanded mandatory public health measures that will now apply to all High Case Regions with more than 50 cases per 100,000 people and with 30 or more active cases **effective at 11:59pm on May 9th, 2021** for a minimum of 3 weeks. Click [here](#) for a list of communities as of May 5, 2021. These new restrictions also apply to previously identified hotspot communities.

Indoor activities

- All indoor sport, performance and recreation activities for youth and adults are prohibited.
- Indoor fitness and recreation facilities must close, including for 1-on-1 training.

Outdoor activities

- **All outdoor sports and recreation activities are prohibited**, except with members of your household, or your two close contacts if you live alone. This includes:
 - all group physical activities, such as team sports, fitness classes, training sessions
 - all one-on-one lessons and training activities
 - all practices, training, and games
- Outdoor recreation facilities can remain open unless specifically closed by public health order.

Targeted restrictions that were effective April 30th, 2021 remain in place in regions that were previously identified as hot spots. On May 3rd, the impacted “hot spot” communities identified were:

- City of Airdrie
- City of Calgary
- City of Edmonton
- City of Fort McMurray
- City of Grande Prairie
- City of Lethbridge
- City of Red Deer
- City of St Albert
- Rockyview County
- Town of Okotoks
- Strathcona County

All youth and adult indoor sport, performance and recreation activities are prohibited. This applies to all youth activities, including for students still learning in classrooms.

- *All indoor recreation facilities must close.*
- *Outdoor recreation amenities can be open to public access unless specifically closed by public health order.*
- *All indoor fitness activities are prohibited. This includes:*
 - *group physical activities, such as team sports, fitness classes and training sessions*
 - *one-on-one lessons and training activities*
 - *practices, training, and games*

Although the measures announced May 4th do not come in effect until May 9th the Province is strongly encouraging groups to pre-emptively cancel any of the above activities and encouraging all Albertans to stay home and limit their activities to only those which are absolutely necessary.

If you have any questions, please email returntoskating@skateabnwtun.ca.

Sincerely,
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