

June 18, 2020

Following today's Press Conference with Premier Stephen McNeil, the Province announced that effective immediately it is now permissible to accommodate groups of up to 50 people, who must maintain social distancing. It will also be possible to have groups of up to 10, without social distancing, which means that within the groups of 10 contact is permitted. It is very important to note that once participants are within a group of 10, they must stay in the same groups and cannot switch to different groups.

A revised safe, phased approach will be announced early next week to all members that will outline the steps required to increase beyond a group size of 10 in a manner that is safe for all participants.

While we are all very excited to have a provincial increase to social gathering limits, **group training sizes for approved Swim Clubs will remain at 10 for those that are beginning training on June 22nd**. Beginning next week, approved Clubs may **re-submit plans that can take effect starting June 29th or later** to demonstrate their ability to follow and maintain social distancing, appropriate disinfection of equipment and personal hygiene. Coaches must be able to illustrate that a controlled environment can be maintained with more than 10 participants.

Clubs that have not yet submitted a request for approval to begin on June 22nd will be able to submit their request forms and follow the steps outlined in next week's information.

Please understand that the safety of our members is our number one concern; we must continue to slowly return to our new training environments in a step-by-step approach.

I will continue to update the membership as more information becomes available. I am available via email or on my mobile phone 902-497-2088.

Thank you for your continued support!

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