

December 14, 2020

## Province of Ontario Moves More Regions Into Higher Restriction Zones

To all Ontario District and Badminton Clubs:

We are writing in response to the recently introduced [COVID-19 Response Framework: Keeping Ontario Safe and Open – Lockdown Measures](#) by the Government of Ontario. Effective Monday, December 14, 2020 at 12:01 am., Ontario is moving the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit and the York Region Public Health to join the City of Toronto Health Unit and the Peel Region Health Unit in the Grey-Lockdown stage of the framework.

In the regions of Windsor-Essex, York, Toronto, and Peel, all badminton clubs and programs are required to **halt all indoor activities** in these regions based on the health measures as announced by Premier Ford.

Outlined in O.Reg. 654/20 (amending 82/20), the sole exception for Facilities for indoor recreational fitness activities identified in Grey-Lockdown are if the facility is operated by, or for the sole use of persons who are athletes, coaches or officials training or competing to be a part of Team Canada at the next summer or winter Olympic Games or Paralympic Games, if the persons are, identified by a national sport organization that is either funded by Sport Canada or recognized by the Canadian Olympic Committee or the Canadian Paralympic Committee, and permitted to train compete, coach or officiate under the safety protocols put in place by a national sports organization.

Ontario athletes identified by Badminton Canada who fit the above criteria are:

1. Michelle Li
2. Rachel Honderich
3. Brittney Tam
4. Nyl Yakura
5. Josh Hurburt Yu
6. Jason HoShue
7. Bryan Yang
8. BR Sankeerth
9. Catherine Choi
10. Duc Goi
11. Justin Kendrick

Badminton Canada and Badminton Ontario also reminds all member clubs and registered individuals, that all activities must adhere to Federal and Provincial legislation, as well as any municipal bylaws and facility rules in place related to COVID-19 physical distancing and public or private gatherings.

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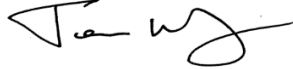
Failure to abide by these federal, provincial, or municipal requirements may result in legal prosecution by government as well as denial of insurance coverage and possible disciplinary measures by Badminton Ontario.

Badminton Canada and Badminton Ontario will continue to provide updates as part of our commitment to a safe return to play and training for all.

Respectfully,



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