



Measures and recommendations due to exceptional circumstances of COVID-19

British Columbia, March 13, 2020.

In light of recent developments with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and after consultation with our Medical Director, and the recommendations of BC's Health Minister and Boxing Canada, Boxing BC is suspending all sanctioned events for the next thirty (30) days.

This was a difficult decision given we are in the midst of Golden Gloves tournaments and the qualification timeframe for the 2020 Canadian Championships; however, Boxing BC's greatest concern is for the health and safety of all boxers, coaches, officials and physicians.

Affected Sanctions Include:

- All sanctioned boxing events (regional and provincial). **The Golden Gloves is therefore postponed for the moment.**
- Coaching/ Officiating courses
- Training camps
- 2020 National Championships: [View Boxing Canada Statement](#)
- Travel Permits will not be approved for the time being.

Boxing BC will review as circumstances evolve and more information becomes available and provide updates to the membership on our webpage www.boxing.bc.ca and Facebook.

We recommend that club owners and members regularly check their public health websites for updated information regarding COVID-19. You can find a link to your local public health unit using the following site: <https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/health-feature/coronavirus-disease-covid-19>

All clubs will be able to reschedule their sanctions at later dates. Boxing BC will not accept any new sanction requests until further notice. Refunds will not be given at this time, but you may reschedule your show for a later date once the suspension is lifted.

Clubs and Gyms may continue training however, they should limit participation to boxers and coaches and discourage spectators "wanting to watch" to help reduce the risk of spreading the Coronavirus.

As a reminder, please remember these helpful instructions for your local clubs and gyms:

1. If you are sick, please stay home;
2. Clean your gym equipment/ space thoroughly and often;
3. Wash hands often with warm soapy water for 20 seconds;
4. Avoid shaking hand, and try not to touch your face, eyes, or nose;
5. Follow good personal hygiene after every boxing practice, including showering with soap and water and washing uniforms after use.

We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Yours in Sport

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Ryan O'Shea

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