



Nanaimo Minor Softball Association  
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To: Board of Directors, House and Competitive Players and Parents  
From: Nanaimo Minor Softball Association

Hello to all.

Each day, we are receiving news of the real and potential spread of the COVID-19 virus. Vancouver Island is certainly not exempt from this threat and actions by every individual of any age must be taken to lessen the impact when it does affect us.

The Board of Directors of the Nanaimo Minor Softball Association (NMSA) has decided, out of an abundance of caution for all concerned, to suspend our season. While BC Ministry of Health and Softball BC have certain recommendations in place, we believe that we need to do all we can to minimize the threat to each of you. Therefore, as of midnight tonight, (March 15, 2020) NMSA is suspending all sanctioned softball activities until further notice. These activities include any games, training, practices, coach and umpire clinics or other education, and team building activities. This applies equally to house and competitive players.

We continue to follow the guidelines of the public health authorities and our governing bodies in not meeting in large groups and to practice "social distancing". Like other softball organizations, we have taken additional measures for the safeguard of you and our sport.

We are continuing to accept names and contact information through on-line registrations so that your son or daughter may be placed on a team in the event that officials deem the threat to have passed and we can proceed with our season. Please do not send money at this time; rather select the Office Payment option to complete the registration without payment. We will follow up with payment collection once the season proceeds. Due to this unprecedented situation, we are holding refund requests until April 30<sup>th</sup> to allow more time to gauge what our season will look like. In lieu of a refund, you will be able to accept a credit against next year's fees.

Thanks for your understanding. Be sure to follow us on our website as to further announcements.

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