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Member Clubs

## Covid-19 Update

Good Day All,

I trust that you and your families are keeping well and safe in these unprecedented times. As President, I want to take this opportunity to update you on the latest developments of Government as it relates to our sport, as they continue to implement measures to keep the citizens of Trinidad and Tobago safe during this worldwide pandemic.

On Saturday 9 May, 2020, at a Press Conference held by the Government, the Prime Minister announced a phased approach to the reopening of businesses and activities as the country gradually returns to normalcy pre-pandemic times. The Prime Minister also indicated that once the current data and advice from the Medical experts prove favourable, the phases may progress at a more rapid rate. All of these measures have updated within the Public Health Ordinance Regulations.

With this in mind, the announcement stated that some semblance of normalcy will return on June 6, 2020 and until such time, the stay at home arrangements will remain in place at this time. Further assessment will be done and the necessary decisions will be made.

With respect to our sport, which has been affected like many other sports worldwide, there are specific measures that govern our functions. While restrictions on exercising outdoors has been lifted, the stipulations of no more than five per group and the keeping a distance of 6ft between persons have been effected. In this regard, there has been a decision to keep facilities closed at this time. I am aware of the levels of creativity that have been adapted by both coaches and athletes to keep competition ready, utilizing open spaces at your homes and for this I applaud you all.

While we await the return of our sport, I urge you to continue to diversify your approach while observing all the protocols as outlined by the health professionals (washing hands, wearing masks, social distancing) in a bid to prevent the spread of the virus. Continue to keep yourself and families safe.

I thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

Stay Safe, Save Lives, we are all in this together.

Yours respectfully,

Ephraim Serrette  
President