



**Executive Director letter to Membership: 2021-2022-02  
December 17, 2021**

We have had a successful 3 months to the start of the 2021/2022 season.

Thank you to those clubs that have hosted swimming competitions.

Swim Sask has hosted numerous virtual officials training clinics and thanks to our level 4 and 5 officials that have taught those. Clubs that are hosting competitions in the new year need to ensure that you have communicated with your members on the next series of clinics that will be hosted in January. Information on these has been circulated to club official administrators and meet managers and can be found on our various social media accounts.

While covid numbers in our province are down, news about the new variant Omicron is prevalent and numbers are very much on the rise in other provinces and around the world. Many provinces are bringing in more restrictions as we head into the holidays. As per the Swim Sask COVID-19 [Training and Competition Guidelines](#) that are posted on the [Swim Sask website](#) please be reminded of the following: *“Each member club is responsible for assessing the risks in its environment and establishing the appropriate safety procedures to minimize those risks, while following the advice, guidelines, and directions of Swim Sask and instructions of public health and other government authorities, including facilities.”*

As you know the Federal government has recently released an advisory that says: “Avoid non-essential travel outside Canada due to the risk of the Omicron variant that causes Covid-19”. Please refer to the following link on the Government of Canada website - [Travel Advice and Advisories - Travel.gc.ca](#) Swim Sask asks that you please continue to follow our government and health authority advice. Travelling out of country for our sport is considered non-essential and therefore clubs are advised not to do so.

As a reminder, Clubs are to notify Swim Sask when there is a positive COVID-19 case within their club. This information is for case tracking purposes only. No names are shared. Clubs protect the privacy of their members and when notifying groups of a positive case, will not share the name of the member that tests positive.

Please keep reminding your members to keep wearing a mask, stay physical distanced, get immunized, stay home when sick/symptomatic and seek testing, and continue proper hygiene and sanitizing practices.

We thank you again for being a part of swimming in Saskatchewan.  
Swimming builds #betterlivesthroughswimming.

Sincerely,

Marj Walton, Executive Director



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