

On Thursday, June 25th Squash BC distributed its [Return to Squash](#) (R2S) guidelines to you as club administrators, owners/operators and coaches. This document is intended to help guide an understanding around balancing risk and return to play. Squash BC recognizes that facilities around the province are in various stages of re-opening and we are here to support you.

On June 24th BC moved into [Phase 3](#) of the BC [Restart Plan](#). This is welcome news as we can now take part in smart, safe and respectful travel within BC, mainly inside our bubbles.

But what does Phase 3 mean for sport in our province?

The BC Government's Restart Plan takes a phased approach to the reopening of the province, allowing sectors and activities within the phases to open when the evidence and data tells them the time is right, and as protocols and guidance are in place for them to do so safely.

Phase 3 of the plan indicates that guidelines and [extra safety precautions for sectors returning in Phase 2](#) are still in place for sport activities, which means that for the present time, recommendations for the sport sector remain as they were and follow the Transition Measures outlined in Appendix A - [Return to Sport Activity Chart](#), [viaSport's Return to Sport Guidelines](#). Squash BC's R2S plan recommends that we are still in Level 2 with a gradual move to Level 3 - refer to Appendix A. Squash BC, along with other sport organizations, are sharing that the extra precautions as outlined in the BC Restart Plan Phase 2 for sport are still in place including:

- Two metre social distancing (no contact; focus on individual skill work and drills)
- Increased hand hygiene and disinfecting (minimal sharing of equipment)
- Local community travel only
- No gatherings of over 50 people (small group, in-club competition; limited spectators and open spaces)
- If anyone is exhibiting cold or flu-like symptoms, they should stay home and away from others

viaSport is working with the government to gain a better understanding of how sport will be able to progress safely within their stages over the coming months.

As always, our team is here to support you as we work through these next levels of return to squash together. Please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards

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