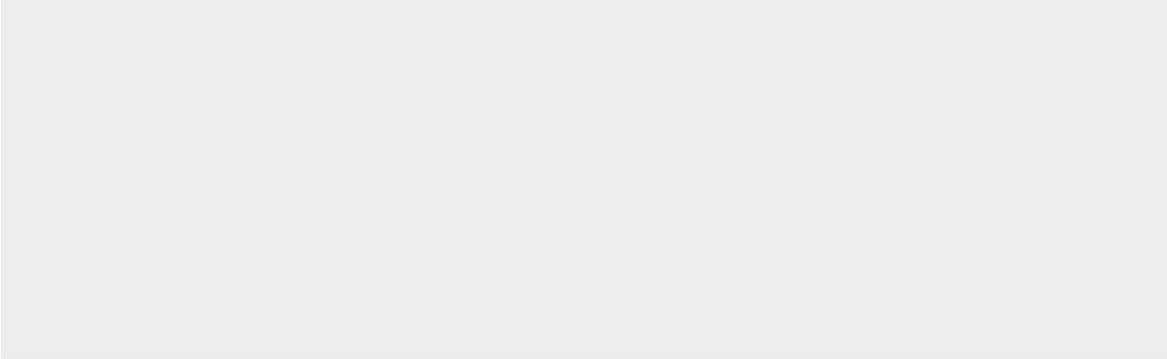


**Important Update on COVID-19 Regulations -
Effective May 22, 2021**



Dear Club Presidents,

Row Ontario has been able to access and review the newest Regulations amending Regulation 82/20 that governs what is permitted to be open in the province. The newest Regulations come into effect on May 22, 2021.

We are thrilled to share that the provision permitting Boating Clubs to be open has been put back into the Regulations, meaning clubs can reopen effective Saturday, May 22, 2021. As you know Boating Clubs were removed from the list of organizations able to be open during the Stay-at-Home order.

Some important considerations as you plan your reopening:

- Only singles are permitted at this time. Doubles are only permitted with household members (in addition to direct household members caregivers or an individual who lives alone can join one household group).
- Clubs can provide recreational rowing to the number of people your location allows to have on site, while maintaining 2m apart. We know every location differs greatly in this area.
- Organized public events are limited to 5 people, so ensure activities at the club are not established in any way to be perceived as an organized event if you will have more than 5 members on site.
- The only portions of the inside of boat houses that should be in use are washrooms, first aid areas or spaces to access these specific areas. Under the Regulations, boat launches as an outdoor recreational amenity does include equipment storage as an area that can be open.

Today Premier Ford gave a high-level overview of what they believe the next few months may look like. As we access those Regulations, we will continue to update you as the restrictions evolve. Row Ontario has been working with our partners and Ministry representatives to help ensure that Boating Clubs were included in the outdoor amenities that are able to open in this first round and we are as excited as I'm sure you are that rowers are able to get back on the water!

Thank you again for your ongoing patience, leadership and trust as we all work together to get back on the water. If you have any questions about the Regulations surrounding COVID-19 please do not hesitate to reach out to Lisa Roddie (lisa@rowontario.ca).

Yours in Rowing,
Row Ontario