



## Ottawa Carleton Soccer League

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Hello,

I hope this message finds you and your families well.

Earlier this summer, the OCSL board set August 4 as the date we would make a final decision on the status of the 2020 summer season. That date has now passed, and we have still not received approval to resume league operations. In fact, we remain in phase 2 of Ontario Soccer's return to play guidelines and will be staying in this phase indefinitely. As well, City of Ottawa guidelines permit only fifty players (or roughly two teams) in any division.

### **Consequently, the board is cancelling the 2020 OCSL season.**

Over and above all of these restrictions, it has always been our position that player health and safety was our number one priority. Cancelling the 2020 season is not only something we are forced to do; at this time, it is simply the right thing to do.

### **Looking ahead to 2021**

*The OCSL is your league* and you all deserve to have a say in how it is run.

We are proud to have been running adult soccer in the Ottawa region for more than 40 years and we look forward to serving you for many more. The volunteers who make up our board will continue to meet regularly and to reach out to you to find ways to return with an even better product – both on and off the field. Of course, we will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and will work with all the relevant authorities to plan for a safe return to the field in 2021.

### **Refunds**

Clubs that have already made payments to the league for the 2020 season must choose one of the following reimbursement options:

Option A – Full refund (payable by cheque)

Option B – Club credit for the 2021 season

Elliot will be reaching out by the end of the week to coordinate this with you. Please contact him via email if you have any questions - [manager@ocslonline.ca](mailto:manager@ocslonline.ca)

We wish each and every one of you the very best during these difficult times. As always, we encourage you to reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for staying patient and I can't wait to see you all again in 2021!

Shar Sumner  
Chair, OCSL