

## MEMORANDUM 14 2020-21

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To: Hockey Alberta Membership

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SUBJECT: Hockey Canada Safety Program/RIS – Parent & Activity Leader Extension

Hockey Alberta has worked with both Hockey Canada and the Respect Group Inc. to facilitate an extension of the expiration dates for the Hockey Canada Safety Program (HCSP) and Respect in Sport Parent/Activity Leader Programs.

Any parent, coach or team official that has valid certification in any of the above programs will have their expiration automatically extended by one year.

- For HCSP, the certification will extend from three to four years.
- For RIS Parent and Activity Leader, the certification will extend from four to five years.

These extensions will be reflected on an individual's <u>Hockey Canada Registry</u> profile for HCSP & RIS Activity Leader and the child's profile of which it is connected for RIS – Parent. Because RIS is a multi-sport platform and this change is specific to Hockey Alberta, the extension will not be reflected in an individual's RIS profile. This may affect any prerequisites currently set up through 3<sup>rd</sup> party registration platforms.

For those with <u>HCSP Level 2</u>, an additional year may be granted but if any supplemental qualifications (Standard First Aid) have expired, valid documentation must be submitted with your application.

These programs play significant roles in achieving Hockey Alberta's mandate of providing a safe and fun environment for all participants. We are confident that a one-year extension to these programs will not impact these areas of our game and will provide a degree of financial relief to our parents, volunteers and Member Associations in what has been a challenging year on many levels.