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**From:** President  
**TO:** Affiliate Presidents  
Affiliate Secretaries  
**CC:** SSA Executive Committee Members  
Committee Convenors

**RE: SWIMMING SOUTH AFRICA COVID - 19 UPDATE 5: PREPARATION FOR RETURN TO SWIMMING**

With reference to the media briefing by the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture, Mr Nkosinathi Emmanuel 'Nathi' Mthethwa, presented on 30 May 2020 on the Draft Directives for the resumption of sport activities during COVID-19 Lockdown Alert Level 3.

The Department and Ministry of Sport, Arts and Culture have published and circulated a media release following several submissions and queries on the Directives as announced by the Minister, requesting continued patience and tolerance as the directions are still to be published in the Government Gazette.

Once this process have been completed, the Directives will then be officially released to the Sport, Arts and Culture Sector and that the process of submission of information which all affected stakeholders will have to undertake will also be outlined.

In anticipation of the Gazetting of the Directives, it is important for Swimming South Africa to proactively prepare for the return to activities in a phased approach while maintaining and complying with the requirements of the regulations currently in effect.

Initial preparations will focus on the following areas:

- Appointment of Compliance Officers
- Identifying key venues for resumption of training
- Risk Management preparation

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### **Appointment of Compliance Officers**

- Each SSA affiliate must commence the process for appointing compliance officers at Provincial, District and Club Level.
- Affiliates must notify SSA of the appointment of Compliance officers in writing by Wednesday 10 June 2020

### **Identifying key venues for resumption of training**

- SSA Affiliates must identify key venues for the resumption of training in their area of jurisdiction.
- All identified venues must be assessed based on the risk assessment on the readiness for opening

### **Risk Management preparation**

- SSA Affiliates, Districts and clubs prepare risk management measures in accordance with COVID-19 Safety regulations for identified venues and participants.
- The risk management plans must include measures for the sanitation of venues before the resumption of activities;
- As well as measures for the screening of participants in accordance with COVID-19 Safety regulations

Where ever you are please do promote the wearing of a mask, wash your hands as frequently as possible and maintain social distancing.

Yours in Aquatics



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President