

A Message about COVID-19 from the Dirty Girlz Board

Dear Members,

As British Columbia public health authorities lift some restrictions on gathering in a responsible way, the BC government has asked viaSport to develop Return to Sport (RTS) guidelines to support amateur sport organizations in developing their own plans to guide the cautious, step-by-step safe return of their sport in B.C. during this pandemic. The viaSport document also suggests following the sport-specific recommendations detailed in Cycling BC's Return to Play (RTP) guidelines.

Both Guidelines have been developed in order to ensure:

- health and safety of all individuals is a priority
- activities are in alignment with provincial health recommendations
- modifications to activities are in place in order to reduce the risks to organizations and members
- sports are united and aligned on a plan to reopen throughout the province

Based on these guidelines, the Dirty Girlz Bike Club has developed an Illness Policy, a Member Agreement, and a Safety Plan & Guidelines, which also incorporates information from the PMBIA [COVID-19 best practices](#).

While we are all doing our best to minimize the risk of exposure to COVID-19, and while the virus circulates in our communities, it is impossible to completely eliminate the risk. Each member must make their own decision as to whether it is in their best interest to resume participation at this time. You must take into account your own circumstances and make the decision that is right for you. Should you choose to join a group ride, we require your full cooperation with the information and guidelines detailed in these documents.

While we do hope things will return to normal in the not too distant future, the above-mentioned documents will support the new normal until we are advised otherwise by public health authorities.

Sincerely,

Dirty Girlz Bike Club Board