



COVID-19 VIRUS - MESSAGE TO VICTORIAN CLUBS AND KARTING VICTORIA

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Good Afternoon Everyone,

Yesterday, the Victorian Government announced a \$40 million Community Sport Sector Short-term Survival Package to provide grants to support the operational viability of community sport and active recreation organisations impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

The program model will be delivered through two streams:

- Stream 1 – State-wide Operational Sustainability (State Association) and
- Stream 2 – Grassroots Operational Support (Clubs)

This restart package includes grants of up to \$200,000 for Small and Medium State Sporting Organisations (Karting Victoria) and up to \$1,000 each for Community organisations delivering sport and active recreation (Your Club).

Applications for the Community Sport Sector Short-term Survival Package opened YESTERDAY, and we urge you to get your application in on behalf of your Club as soon as possible.

For the State Association, the funding can provide support for the operational sustainability over the period 1 March 2020 to 31 August 2020 and planning and preparation of a Return to Play (Race) Plan.

For Clubs, the grant will be provided to assist the organisation remain operational during the eligibility period, and to support readiness to return-to-play in adherence with Victorian Chief Health Officer restrictions and advice.

Funding can be used for fixed costs (e.g. rent/utilities/insurance), essential salary costs (not match/player/coach payments) and any other costs that keep the club viable and ready to function once restrictions ease.

The full guidelines can be found in the document that is also attached to this email. Also contained in this document is a summary of the various financial support mechanisms that may apply to your Club. The application for Clubs available here <https://businessvic.secure.force.com/PublicForm?id=csp2caf2020>

Applications close on 15 June 2020, or until the funding allocation is exhausted.

****Please note that if all funds have been committed, the closing date will occur earlier, so apply today!****

For more information on the Grants, please visit <https://sport.vic.gov.au/grants-and-funding/our-grants/community-sport-sector-coronavirus-covid-19-short-term-survival-package>

The Government has also confirmed what the easing of restrictions are likely to look like for sport in Victoria for the next month.

- **Stage 1: (current)** – Groups of 10. Multiple groups are permitted at the same venue provided physical distancing can be maintained.
- **Stage 2: (from 11:59pm, 31 May)** – Up to 20 people can participate in outdoor group sport and exercise activities, provided you can keep your distance (at least 1.5 metres apart) and they are **not competitive**.

This is largely in line with our expectations and our own Road Out Of Lockdown. We will continue to advise you if there is any change to the above schedule for our sport.

SPORTS COMMUNITY WEBINAR – TOMORROW NIGHT

The second round of webinars with Sports Community are set to begin on Tuesday night. If you registered for the first Webinar that we ran last week, you are already registered for next week's as well. If you missed week 1, here are the links and details for the Week 2 Webinars:

STATE	DATE	TIME	LINK TO REGISTER
NSW & Victoria	Wednesday 27/5	7:00 – 8:30 pm EST	https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/450380160372638721

Please click on the link above and REGISTER NOW!

We want to hear from you as to how you are going with the restart.

Along with providing some valuable updates for the Clubs, we are also inviting feedback from Clubs across the country on what has worked at their recent Activities, what are some of the challenges that you are facing and what questions you may have in regards to karting in a COVIDSafe environment.

Please email your questions by 5pm on the day prior to your scheduled webinar to lee@karting.net.au to enable them to be incorporated into the webinar.

COVIDSAFE HYGIENE PRODUCTS OFFER

Karting Australia sponsor **Rosche Paper** - Presenting Partner our Officials Academy, is a large supplier of hygiene and cleaning products for the retail and hospitality industries.

Damien Flack and his team at Rosche Paper has put together a **Cleaning And Hygiene Products Catalogue** at unbelievable prices specifically for Karting Australia Clubs to help you get back up and stay running in an affordable COVIDSafe environment.

The Catalogue and order form is attached to this email.