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**Re: Safe Sport – ITP Sports & Alberta Alpine**

Dear Membership,

As our sport continues to grow and we collectively embrace Safe Sport, Alberta Alpine has engaged the services of ITP Sports as our third-party Independent Complaint Service. Participants need to feel safe and free of fear of retribution to report and organizations need to focus on what they do best, letting the experts in this field support them.

***“Safe sport” refers to our collective responsibility to create, foster and preserve sport environments that ensure positive, healthy, and fulfilling experiences for all individuals. A safe sport environment is one in which all sport stakeholders recognize, and report acts of maltreatment and prioritize the welfare, safety, and rights of every person at all times. The key themes that define safe sport include:***

- Prevention of maltreatment (e.g., physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, neglect, etc.)
- Human rights (e.g., right to participation, right to voice)
- Equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Optimization of sport experience (I.e., how can we foster positive sport experiences that ensures everyone thrives and is kept safe in sport?)

As we move closer to next season, ITP Sports will host education sessions for Alberta Alpine members to help navigate and understand the program, and processes.

The complaint process is easy to access, please see the attached document from ITP Sports.

Let me know if you need any other information. We will be in touch with further details regarding the ITP education sessions.

Best regards,

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**By Law, any known or suspected abuse or neglect of a child must be reported to the local authorities.**

