

**INFORMATION BULLETIN** 

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То:	All Association Presidents, Independent Teams, Council Chairs, Staff and Coordinators of Softball BC
From:	Alana Thomas Administrative Manager
Subject:	Via Sport Guidance on travelling to the US following recent Executive Orders from the President.

Softball BC Members,

At the request of several provincial sports governing bodies, viaSport has released the following guidance for sports participants travelling to the USA following recent Executive Orders issued by the President.

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Dear Sector Leaders:

In light of recently announced Executive Orders in the USA regarding transgender athlete participation, viaSport has received inquiries regarding guidance for individuals travelling to the USA for sport. At this time, here is some guidance:

- All Canadians travelling to the USA, including sport participants travelling to USA, should consult the Government of Canada's current travel advisories for USA.
- viaSport reminds Designated Sport Organizations that the Government of Canada advises that individuals are subject to, and must follow, the local laws of their destination country.
- As things can change, viaSport advises Designated Sport Organizations to follow the current and specific guidelines outlined by the Government of Canada regarding travel to USA, which can be found <u>here</u>, and to follow the Federal Government advice regarding travel with respect to sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and sex characteristics (Including passports with "X" as gender markers), which can be found <u>here</u>.

As things evolve, we will keep you updated. The viaSport Team