



CALGARY WOMEN'S SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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To our Members,

Despite today's announcement from the Government of Alberta, the CWSA Board of Directors and Staff are extremely disappointed to announce to our members that the decision has been made to officially cancel the remainder of the Indoor 2020-2021 season. We sincerely appreciate the patience you have all shown as we waited to find out if a season was still possible. We continued to hope for a positive release from AHS/ASA/GOA to allow us to resume playing; however, that has not happened.

If we should get the go ahead from the appropriate authorities between now and the middle of April, we have a plan in place which we can implement quickly to allow us to resume play.

Teams registered for the Indoor 2020-21 season will receive a refund for league fees paid, minus a \$100.00 administration fee. We understand that the administration fee deduction is an unforeseeable inconvenience to our teams and members. This fee is to help offset irretrievable expenses incurred for season implementation, to support general administration costs, and the costs associated with issuing team refunds. We sincerely thank you for your understanding that the CWSA is doing its best to maintain operations, support its members, and preserve an organization for women's soccer in Calgary.

\$5 of this fee from each team will be donated to Kidsport Calgary to honour the commitment that CWSA has made to donate to their organization.

In addition, teams who played games in the fall will have the cost of those games deducted from their refund amount.

Credits will be reflected as a negative balance on your accounts in the coming weeks and each team will also receive a detailed account summary statement.

Please Note: All credits will be kept on your team account for future season play unless your team specifically requests to have a cheque issued.

To request a refund by cheque for team fees paid:

Please send an email to office@mycwsa.ca with the following information:

- Team Name

- Full name of the individual that the cheque is to be made out to

Please Note the following:

- *The CWSA will be resuming our policy of not mailing out cheques. Once your cheque is ready to be picked up, you will be contacted to make an appointment to come and pick it up.*
 - *Refund cheques will only be prepared once a month on the 15th and do require two board signatures which could result in a delay of the cheque being ready.*
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The ASA Member Fee that each individual player paid upon registration will not be included as part of the team refunds and will instead be held on account as a credit for future seasons.



In the midst of these uncertain times, we are honoured to celebrate and share with you a historical milestone for the CWSA. On **January 29th, 1981**, the Calgary Women's Soccer Association was incorporated, and today we are celebrating our **40th anniversary**. We are proud to have provided the home for women's soccer in our community these past four decades. We are looking forward to our future years, to our continued growth and to supporting even more of the women's causes that we are passionate about. We will carry on the tradition of being a recognized leader in women's soccer and in our community.

Over the next 12 months, we will be looking back over our history to reminisce about where we started, where we came from and where we are today.

We invite and encourage you all to dig deep into your own archives for any old photos, news articles, medals, trophies and share those personal stories with us. We recognize being involved in the soccer community is an important part of many of our members lives and we want to celebrate those moments by reliving them this year. You can submit your stories and photos to office@mycwsa.ca.

We appreciate your loyalty and support as we continue to wait to get back on the pitch. We will be reaching out again, hopefully in the coming weeks with more information regarding a 2021 outdoor season. We are optimistic that at a minimum we will be able to offer a season with similar restrictions that we faced when we created our two mini-leagues this past summer and fall. Based on the information that the Government of Alberta has released today, we now know that adult team sports will be permitted to resume in step 3 of their 4-step plan. We will await further details from the Government of Alberta before we release any plans or accept any registrations for next season. Details on today's announcements will be available here: <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx>

Stay safe and we will see you soon!

The CWSA Team