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## **Briefing Note**

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## COVID-19 – CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF ARMY REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

- 1. **Issue.** An update on status of Army Representative and Recreational Sport following the easing of the national restrictions, and the implementation of an enhanced regional restriction Tier System.
- 2. **Target Audience.** All Commanders.
- 3. Staff Branch for ABN Digest. G7.
- 4. **Extract for Routine Orders.** The following is to be repeated on Unit Routine Orders:

Continued Suspension of Army Representative Sport. Following the national Covid-19 restrictions between 5 Nov – 2 Dec, and the implementation of a regional Tier System which restricts non essential travel, Army Representative Sport remains suspended until 11 Jan 21 at the earliest<sup>1</sup>. The resumption of Army sport at the Representative (Corps/Service) level will be authorised and communicated by Army HQ (Pers Pol (Army)) informed by the recommendation of Director ASCB and will be conditions based. It will only resume, and continue to be authorised, iaw Government, Devolved Administration, the latest National Governing Body guidelines, FRAGO 001 to Pj PHOENIX OpO 001 and the latest Force Heath Protection Instruction (FHPI).

**Unit Sport.** Unit Sport is subject to national (and local) restrictions. The guidance for conducting Unit Sport is provided within <u>ABN 095/2020.</u>

**Recreational Sport.** In accordance with <u>COVID-19 ARMY SITREP 73</u>, Indoor group sporting activities and recreational sport are deemed non-essential activities, and therefore are also subject to national (and local) restrictions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SP who have entered the British Indoor Rowing Championships, which are being delivered virtually on 5-6 Dec have been authorised by Director ASCB. Participants using equipment within a military gymnasium, must ensure they adhere to <u>FRAGO 001 to Pj PHOENIX OPO 001</u> and the latest <u>Force Heath Protection Instruction (FHPI).</u>

## 5. **Points of Contact.**

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