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## GTHL AWAITS FURTHER DIRECTION FROM PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND OHF

On January 20, the [Government of Ontario announced steps to cautiously and gradually ease public health measures](#), to begin on January 31.

Following the announcement, the Greater Toronto Hockey League continues to review the details pertaining specifically to indoor sports and minor hockey. It is the League's understanding that the regulations governing the reopening from the provincial government are to be released the week of January 24.

The GTHL will also be awaiting the direction of the Ontario Hockey Federation, following the [OHF's pause of all in-person, on-ice programming](#) which began on January 5 through to January 27, and additional guidance and requirements from each of the local public health units (Peel, Toronto, and York Public Health) in its jurisdiction.

To ensure the GTHL's [Game Plan 2.0](#) remains effective for the safety of all involved, the League will be consulting with Toronto Public Health and the Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) on what measures should be implemented or modified.

Following the direction of the Government of Ontario regulations, local public health units, and the OHF, the GTHL Board will examine all provided information to determine when and how to effectively and safely restart the 2021-22 hockey season.

Each GTHL House League program will be making individual decisions on how it best can complete the 2021-22 season.

The League remains committed to completing the competitive (A, AA, and AAA) regular season schedule and will be reviewing the options for a playoff structure.

The GTHL is optimistic and excited about the potential return of hockey, however, remain cautious in moving forward with any further announcement until all required information has been provided. The League is committed to delivering the most up-to-date and accurately confirmed details and will continue to ensure all announcements, specifically regarding our return to play, reflect that.

The GTHL extends a gracious thank-you to all members, families, players, teams, volunteers, and staff for their ongoing patience and understanding as we work to return to the ice safely.

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