



Briefing Note

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COVID-19 – CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF ARMY REPRESENTATIVE SPORT

1. **Issue.** An update on the status of Army Representative and Recreational Sport following the announcement of a **National lockdown by the Prime Minister (PM) on 4 Jan 21, in addition to similar measures already announced by the Devolved Administration (DA) First Ministers (FMs).**
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 announcement of a **national lockdown by the PM on 4 Jan 21** which restricts non-essential travel, and **prohibits non-essential activity**, Army Representative Sport remains suspended until **15 Feb 21** at the earliest. 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 [Pj PHOENIX - Force Health Protection Instruction \(FHPI\)](#).

Unit Sport. Unit Sport is subject to national (and local) restrictions. The guidance for conducting Unit Sport is provided within [ABN 095/2020](#).

Recreational Sport. In accordance with [Army COVID-19 SITREP 73](#), 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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