

**Clarifying announcement by KOA on the measures for sport activities included in
the new decree, dated 20/5/2020**

In respect of the measures announced today by Decree (RAA 219/2020), the Cyprus Sports Association in conjunction with the Ministry of Health, would like to clarify that as of tomorrow, 21 May 2020, exercising will be allowed in outdoor spaces, provided the number of persons involved does not exceed 10 and the guidelines of the Ministry of Health and the Cyprus Sports Association are observed. More specifically, the measures included in the protocol for sport activities as prepared by the Ministry of Health must be upheld. It should be noted that exercising is permitted for the purpose of improving one's physical condition and technique, without body contact and no team game, always maintaining a safety distance of at least two (2) metres between those exercising, in outdoor facilities, such as indicatively but not restrictively the following: futsal, football, basketball, volleyball grounds and tennis courts.

It should also be noted that the function of outdoor swimming pools is permitted with the physical presence of up to 10 individuals, always in accordance with the provisions of the decree. As regards the open swimming pools being used by Sailing Clubs, it is clarified that only the competing sections of these clubs are allowed to train (13 years and over).

Provided that the functioning of outdoor facilities shall be permitted without the use of changing rooms and/or indoor gyms and/or any other indoor athletic and related facilities. In addition it should be noted that the use of indoor sport facilities is still prohibited, save the exception allowed for high performing athletes.

The Cyprus Sports Association, in cooperation with the Sports Federations, shall undertake to monitor the implementation of the measures at the sport facilities, since the implementation of the protocols and instructions is a prerequisite for their operation. More specifically:

1. The users of the sports facilities (Clubs, Sports societies etc) should state the training grounds they will be using to KOA through their respective Federations, as well as their operating timetable. In addition, they are obliged to notify the corresponding Sports Federation in case of change of training venue or timetable, which in its turn will inform KOA in writing.
2. Each Sports Federation shall inform its Member-Clubs about the full and strict implementation of the decrees, guidelines and protocols in writing.
3. Each Sports Federation shall appoint a competent person who will be in touch with KOA through the email address: csolomou@sportskoa.org.cy for the purpose of observing the provisions of the new decree and the relevant guidelines and

protocols, especially as regards the supervision of the training venues used by their Member-Clubs.

4. It is underlined that any infringement of the conditions of the decrees constitutes a penal offence and the police will undertake to investigate any relevant complaints. In any case, the monitoring by KOA is never a substitute for legally prescribed police control. It should be noted that these are supplementary instructions and do not replace the obligations imposed by the Infectious Disease Law and the relevant Decrees that have been issued.

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