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**To:** Provincial Ringette Associations

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**Subject:** Team Managers on the bench

Following consultation with our provincial partners, as well as considering the integrity of our coaching programs and offering our athletes the best possible developmental experience, Ringette Canada has modified the requirements relating to access to the bench by the various team personnel roles.

In order to provide the best possible in-competition environment for our athletes, only qualified coaches and trainers will be allowed on the bench during competitions. Team Managers will no longer have access to the bench during competitions. Given that this role is an integral part of the team personnel; access to areas such as the team change rooms will continue.

The modifications will be effective as of the start of the 2016-2017 season for Ringette Canada sanctioned events including the Canadian Ringette Championships, NRL Championship and the Canada Winter Games.

Accreditation at these events will be adjusted according to the role of each member of the team personnel.

It is expected that Team Managers appear on Team Registration forms for the purpose of insurance and liability.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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