



MEDIA ADVISORY

2020 U SPORTS Women's and Men's Volleyball Championship cancelled due to COVID-19

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TORONTO – U SPORTS, in conjunction with hosts University of Calgary and University of Manitoba announced this evening the cancellation of the 2020 U SPORTS Men's and Women's Volleyball Championships due to the evolving global situation regarding COVID-19.

"Over the past 24 hours, many things have changed in sport across Canada and it's a really difficult position to be in as these types of important decisions impact so many people," said **Lisette Johnson-Stapley**, U SPORTS Chief Sport Officer. "Our host committees have worked tirelessly for two years on these events and we thank them for their support and the great experience they wanted to provide for the student-athletes, coaches and officials as well as family, friends and fans."

U SPORTS and the hosts would like to recognize the hard work student-athletes, coaches and athletic departments put into qualifying for a national championship and although they will not be able to compete for the U SPORTS title, they should be proud of their accomplishments this season.

U SPORTS would like to thank the Universities of Calgary and Manitoba for their efforts in organizing the championships to date.

For fans who have purchased tickets, a full refund will issued in the coming days.

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About U SPORTS

U SPORTS is the national brand for university sports in Canada. Every year, over 20,000 student-athletes and 900 coaches from 56 universities vie for 21 national championships in 12 different sports. U SPORTS also provides higher performance international opportunities for Canadian

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