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Dear CSIA Member,

We are excited that the ski season is just around the corner. The first snowfalls of the season have started, and some Ski Areas have started snowmaking production!

This year will be different with the impacts of COVID-19, but the great news is there will be a season, and we will be on the mountains sharing our passion of skiing.

As a result of COVID-19 as many are aware, we have new protocols in place for our on-snow programming (visit [snowpro.com](https://www.snowpro.com) for those details, and further details as they are released).
<https://www.snowpro.com/en/spotlight/641-csia-s-covid-19-protocol>

In addition to these new on-snow protocols, **the CSIA wants to inform the Membership that we will not organize any indoor social components, including Conventions, during the 2020-2021 season.** This decision was made by the National Operations Staff, in consultation with both the National Board and our 6 Regional Committee Chairs.

As the season commences, we all know how easy it would be to get together, however we are asking the entire Membership to be diligent and to maintain all social distancing requirements and **stay away from any indoor gatherings that would put yourself or others at risk.**

We have a real opportunity, to lead by our example and get our country skiing this season! The public needs healthy activities to pursue during these difficult times. We are so fortunate that skiing is one of those activities. We are active partners in the “*Ski Well, Be Well*” initiative that is in place by the entire North American Ski Industry. <https://www.skicanada.org/ski-well-be-well/>

As some protocols and requirements do change from Region to Region, please always consult your Ski Resort and local Health Authority for the latest up to date information and guidelines.

We must as Instructors do everything in our power to set the very best example, to keep ourselves and the public safe! I look forward to seeing you on the slopes (not indoors) soon!

Best regards,
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PS. We look forward to seeing you on-snow this winter on a “Pro Day” or Certification Course (Program Registration is now open on [snowpro.com](https://www.snowpro.com))