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Dear Members,

Certification & Recertification Extensions

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the closure of aquatic facilities and the cancellation of certification and recertification courses. To support aquatic staff and the re-opening of aquatic facilities the Lifesaving Society will extend the validity of awards required for employment that expire between March 1, 2020 and the date aquatic programming is allowed to resume.

These awards will be extended for a period of 90 days following the date that the Government of Manitoba allows aquatic facilities and recreation centres to re-open. Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health has advised that first aid awards required for employment will also be extended for the same 90-day period.

Certificates will not be reprinted. Employers and employees do not need to take any actions to qualify for the extensions.

We will work closely with affiliates, instructors, and trainers to help ensure there is capacity to address the anticipated demand for recertifications once facilities are permitted to re-open. The Lifesaving Society will continue to review the situation and provide as much support and notice as possible for when programs may resume.

Please continue to follow all public health advice to ensure that you, your family, and our fellow citizens stay safe and healthy! For the most recent information and advice refer to Health Canada, Manitoba Health and local Health Authorities.

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