



Athletics Ontario Town Hall Meeting – August 26th, 2020

On today's town hall meeting for coaches, officials and club associates, Athletics Ontario CEO, Paul Osland, touched on several current topics.

Today's Updates Included:

- Athletics Canada has announced the cancellation of the 2020 Canadian Nationals Cross Country Championship.
- The Ontario Provincial Cross Country Championship will no longer be held in Kingston. We are working with representatives in the Niagara Region to hold the meet in an alternative location.
- AO summer students looking to deliver Run Jump Throw course to your clubs! (More details below)
- Show your support for the Hamilton 2026 Commonwealth Games application (More details below).
- This week USPORTS announced that cannabis will be removed from in-competition analysis for student-athlete samples. To clarify, this is ONLY applicable to USPORTS competitions. This change will not affect Athletics Canada or World Athletics competition protocols.
- As mentioned in previous communications, AO has been approved for a PPE grant and will be distributing PPE kits to all clubs. Each kit will include disposable gloves, masks, a litre of hand sanitizer etc. AO High Performance Manager, Kolton Kowalchuck, will be reaching out to coordinate the distribution of materials.
- AO will be providing all officials branded, reusable face masks in the coming weeks.
- A representative from the TTFC provided an update that they are still working on acquiring permitting necessary to host competitions. After Labor Day, they will be expanding both indoor and outdoor capacity limits to 50 persons each.

Dental Market is now Athletics Ontario's Official PPE Supplier!

We have partnered with Dental Market to not only provide all of our clubs PPE kits, but to provide our members an exclusive discount on ALL PPE offered at thedentalmarket.ca!

All AO members will receive a **15% discount** on site-wide PPE products using the code **ATON15** at checkout. The code is now active, with no expiry date.

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