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NOTICE TO LICENSEES

Notice # 2021-23 Issuing Division: Administration

DATE: **March 24, 2021**

TO: **All Gaming Licensees and Other Interested Persons**

FROM: **J. Brin Gibson, Chairman**

SUBJECT: **Compliance with COVID-19 Mitigation Protocols**

Licensees with pools operating on their premises are reminded of the following requirements currently in place pursuant to Declaration of Emergency Directive 021 and section 14 of Declaration of Emergency Directive 037:

1. Pool area capacity is limited to a maximum occupancy of 50% based on listed fire code capacity, subject to social distance requirements, which may significantly reduce the maximum capacity of a venue.
2. Except for persons residing in the same household, a minimum of six feet of social distancing is required in the pool, on the pool deck, and any other areas at the pool facility. Additionally, pool seating should be configured in a manner to allow for appropriate distancing.
3. Patrons must wear face coverings at all times unless actively eating, drinking, or in the pool.
4. Hot tubs must remain closed.

Licensees are cautioned that if social distancing in the pool area cannot be maintained at 50% of listed fire code capacity, capacity must be reduced accordingly to meet the social distancing requirement.

The Board expects licensees to review and comply with the public and private gathering requirements set forth in Directive 037 in connection with all operations conducted on the licensees' premises, including pool venues.

While Nevada's daily average COVID-19 positivity rates and other key pandemic metrics continue to trend in a positive direction, Declaration of Emergency Directive 041 is clear that variants of the COVID-19 virus do exist, and medical experts have determined that several of these variants are significantly more contagious than the original virus. Furthermore, efforts to vaccinate the hospitality workforce are underway, with many individuals in this workforce still unvaccinated.

In conjunction with state and local health officials, the Board will continue to ensure that best practices are used in the mitigation of COVID-19, and its effect on the resumption of gaming and other licensee operations, and will issue further notices as appropriate.