



## STATEMENT FROM THE FARS EXECUTIVE BOARD

Please read urgently the FARS bulletin no. 1 dated 26 June 2020 regarding social distancing whilst skating. We are very concerned about photographs that have been posted to social media that show NO social distancing whilst skating outdoors.

Whilst we understand that many people are taking to outside venues, outdoor car parks, tennis courts, school playgrounds, promenades, outdoor skate parks, outdoor rinks, etc. Social distancing means you must not touch, **you must stay 2 metres away** from each other until the 4 July when the distance relaxes to a smaller distance, but **still no body contact and no face to face contact.**

When posting photos on social media, please remember you are showing what you are doing to the friends, family and the skating world. Covid 19 can still be a very life-threatening serious disease if you catch the virus, or if you pass it on to a weaker person.

It is irresponsible to risk the chance of infection and safety of others especially when these regulations are still in action and the virus is still here.

Please carry on skating safely, but please be aware, alert and stay safe, do not skate indoors, in indoor car parks, buildings or barns.

**All FARS members have a responsibility to ensure the Federation is portrayed in a compliant and professional manner at all times, especially when shared on social media.**

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