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Football Quebec replaces the 2021 Nike XL Bowl tournament.

Montreal, Friday April 9th, 2021 – Due to Covi-19 and everything related to the current pandemic, Football Québec has decided cancel the 2021 edition of the **NIKE XL Bowl**, intended to take place July 2021. The tournament will be replaced with a new competitive even, which more details will be revealed in the near future.

The propagation of variants and the regional disparity provincewide has major impact on the population and organized sports, unfortunately football is no exception.

Keep in mind; with the unpredictability of Alert levels (color code) between each region, makes it impossible to plan a safe, responsible, adequate, and optimal situation for the participating athletes. Also, the complexity that comes with organizing such an event: location for event, intermixing regions, finding volunteers, having alternatives for every and any possible outbreak.

To be clear; the plans for the Canada Cup have NOT be released and are in no way connected to the decision made today. We will share all details in regards to the Canada cup once we receive the information directly from FOOTBALL CANADA.

We remain hopeful and have decided to prioritize planification of a possible return to football in time for the regular season of all the diverse leagues and future competitions. The goal hasn't changed; get back on the field in the safest way possible.

All details about the alternative competitive event will be released in the upcoming future. We hope you will join us!

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