

# JWOC 2021 COVID-19 BULLETIN

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## **General conditions related to Covid-19**

Our aim is to reduce the number of people and contacts to minimize the risk of infection among participants and organizer.

- To idea is to create and maintain a safe so-called competition isolation "Bubble", with teams, organisers, officials and media representatives who have all tested negative for Covid-19. This means that once in the bubble, external contacts, as well as contacts between groups within the bubble, shall be limited or eliminated where possible.
- This means that you can do only competition-related activities and all out-of-competition contacts are not allowed. It is not allowed for any participating team member to leave the competition area or accommodation unless absolutely unavoidable.
- All organizers, officials and media are being tested no later than 72h before arrival at the competitions. Entry to the event and competition arenas without a negative test result is not allowed.
- Everyone has to wear a mask and follow social distancing rules. Masks shall be worn at all times, with only the following exceptions:
  - when in your own room
  - when eating (note: masks should be worn when collecting food and when at the table but not actually eating)
  - during actual training and competition activity (masks shall be worn directly prior to and after such activity)
- Consider the need to potentially pay for all testing, isolation/quarantine and medical treatment when taking out travel insurance. This should ensure the costs of a possible quarantine situation if necessary (10 - day supplement on average stay in Turkey), potential medical evacuation home for COVID-19 as a patient, or in the worst case, the high costs of hospital treatment in Turkey.
- All organizers are instructed in these rules and will observe that they are followed. We hope for your understanding and responsible behaviour (fair play).
- Accreditation will be stopped if the rules are not followed. Flagrant violations of the rules may be referred to the IOF Ethics Panel.

## **Event entry conditions (if at all effected by Covid-19)**

Teams shall not enter participants that are unable to prove that they do not carry transmittable infection from Covid-19

### **Obligations prior to the event**

All participants and organizers are urged to limit unnecessary contacts (including events, training camps, contacts, studies or work) from 10 days before the start of competition at the event (i.e. from June 26 ,2021).

All competitors and support staff must take the COVID-19 test by PCR no later than 72 hours prior to leaving their country and upon receipt of testing results forward electronically to the organizers the written certificate proving a negative result.

A certificate must be, in English, the personal data of the person tested (such as testing method, test result, location and time of the test and the data of the person who performed the test). A certified printout from a database of another country is also accepted as a certificate.

- The certificate with test result has to be presented to the organizers before entering Turkey.
- The certificate has to be sent to following e-mail **info@jwoc2020.org**
- NB! Please add to e-mail subject: <Country name> PCR TEST 72h  
*example: **Turkey PCR TEST 72h***
- Participants whose test result is positive and refer to recent recovery from COVID-19, have to present a signed doctor's certificate and certified copies of previous positive PCR test results to the organizers, before travelling to Turkey. Note: only PCR test results are valid, antigen tests or diagnosis based upon doctor's observations only cannot be used as proof. A decision will be made by the organizers in cooperation with the Turkish Health Board whether participation in the competition will be allowed.

### **Entry to the country**

The participating teams are asked to share their arrival details – date and time, point of entry (for example İstanbul Airport, Sabiha Gökçen Airport or by ships or by car via land border crossings) – with the organizers to advice testing centres to plan their workload.

It is important that the list of participants with arrival place, date and time is sent to the organizers as soon as possible, but not later June 26, 2021.

If travel and arrival details have been provided to the organisers, they will be informing border control stations and authorized institutions.

### **Test procedure for getting accreditation.**

Upon arrival in Turkey, all competitors and support staff must perform a COVID-19 test using the PCR method within 24 hours of arrival and meet the

requirements for self-isolation until the test result arrives (with the help and coordination of the competition organizer).

- All competitors and other team members must take required COVID-19 tests at predetermined places of which the organizers will provide.
  - When athletes from abroad arrive at the event center, they must be tested for PCR covid during accreditation procedures.
  - Organisers will inform exact testing place and time latest 24 h before entering Turkey.
- A valid passport or ID card (official travel document) is required at all testing sites.
- The price of the COVID-19 test is currently approximately 55 EUR, the cost of the test(s) shall be paid by the competitors themselves.
- The payment of the COVID-19 tests will be made in the Event Office. Payment method in Event Office is cash (EUR).
- After border crossing it is required to head directly to the testing facilities and thereafter accommodations, avoiding all unnecessary contacts (including shops, grocery stores and restaurants on the way). Essential procedures have to be carried out wearing a mask and in compliance with social distancing rules.

Until receiving the test result, it is required to self-isolate (at the accommodation). It is allowed to go outside, but social distancing rules must be followed, always wearing a mask and avoiding all close contacts. Pre-ordered meals will be delivered directly to the accommodation's rooms.

Persons arriving in Turkey more than 72 hours prior to the event shall have to take one more test before the start of the event.

All Participants from Turkey will be controlled/monitored via the official Life Fits Home (HES) application.

## **Accreditation**

Upon receipt of a negative test result, the participant will receive accreditation and may start with competition related activities (trainings, model event etc.).

- Test results will be available 12-24h after the test was taken.
- Organizers will have to be able to check the official test results of the participants. Therefore, a written permission from the participants will be required for the organizers to have access to the individual test results. Consent form will be sent by e-mail to federations.
- Prior to accreditation all participants will also be required to sign an acknowledgement that they have read and will follow the Covid rules for the Event.

Team leaders are asked to turn to the competition office for accreditation for the team members, there will be no individual accreditation by the athletes. Accreditation will be carried out by appointment only to avoid crowding in the Event Office. Please respect scheduled times.

Each day , all participants will be required to make a health declaration, i.e. confirming that they are not experiencing symptoms. The declaration will be

required prior to starting training or competition activities for the day

## **If the arrival test result is positive**

**Persons whose test result is positive will not be allowed to participate in the competitions. The person showing a positive test result will be isolated immediately.**

- Full medical assistance and support is given to all participating team members in case of a positive coronavirus test.
- The organizers have a separate quarantine hotel ready with required isolation, hygiene and catering capabilities.
- The organizers guarantee medical assistance, testing and safe transport from the persons' location to the quarantine hotel.

Any roommate of a person showing a positive test result, and potentially the entire team of the person, will also be isolated. The Turkish Health Board and the organiser will make a decision about if additional testing is required and if participation will be allowed for those affected.

## **Responsibility to report illness**

### Behaviour when feeling sick during the competitions

- If a participating member who has received accreditation develops Covid-19 symptoms (fever > 37.5 C, coughing, sore throat, shortness of breath, running nose, stuffy nose, loss of taste or smell, stomach problems), then
  - The person will put on a mask and isolate him-/herself from the others. If notifying Team leaders or other Team Athletes this shall be done by phone, no in-person contacts.
  - Calls the competition's medical representative (see above, available during the competition 24/7 from 11.07-16.07.2021) and follows instructions given. When needed, an ambulance visit will be arranged.
- Upon suspicion of falling ill during the competitions:
  - Full medical assistance and support is given to all participating team members in case of a positive coronavirus test.
  - The organizers have a separate quarantine hotel ready with required isolation, hygiene and catering capabilities.
  - The organizers guarantee medical assistance, testing and safe transport from the persons' location to the quarantine hotel.
- The Turkish Health Board and the organiser will make a decision about if additional teammates must also be isolated, if additional testing is required and if participation will be allowed for those affected.
- Consider payment for all medical treatment when taking out travel insurance and which would also ensure the costs of a possible quarantine situation (10 - day supplement on average) stay in Turkey), if necessary, COVID-19 as a patient for medical evacuation home country or, in the worst case, the high costs of hospital treatment.

## Event office

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In-persons visits to the Event Office should be avoided if possible. If there is a need to visit the Event Office please call in advance to set up a time. Respect scheduled times.

## Team official's meetings

Team Officials meetings will be held indoors in accordance with the schedule in competition Bulletin

4. Please submit questions in advance of the meeting as far as possible.

- Limit attendance to 1 Team Official per team
- Arrive shortly prior to the meeting
- Observe social distancing, spread out in the meeting room
- Mask shall be worn at all times
- Leave immediately following the meeting

## Accommodation

Teams are spread out in several accommodations. The same "bubble" rules apply to all whether teams are using accommodations booked via the organisers, or own-booked accommodations. This "virtual bubble" is dependent upon a high degree of personal responsibility.

- To maintain the safe so-called competition isolation "bubble" means that you can do only competition-related activities and all out-of-competition contacts should be avoided. It is not allowed for any participating team member to leave the competition area or accommodation unless unavoidable.
- Generally, it is not allowed for the athletes to go grocery shopping and go the pharmacy, exception is made for team leaders who may go to the grocery stores and pharmacies on behalf of the whole team. Limit the number of Team Leaders who need to move outside the bubble and think about contacts within the own team.
- In addition to the food service at the accommodations, organizers will arrange for a cafeteria at the competition arena. Avoid crowding also here.
- It is mandatory to wear a mask in all indoor public places in Turkey (incl. shops).
- In the canteen and meeting rooms we follow safe distancing guidelines and limit the occupancy of all rooms up to 50% of the maximum capacity.
- In the accommodation's canteen, meals will be arranged in team groups. Please respect the meal schedule to avoid crowding.

## Transports

Transport of athlete bags/equipment from the start to the finish will be arranged

by the organiser in a safe way to reduce the risk of Covid-19 spreading. Transportation volunteers will wear masks and gloves when loading/off-loading bags. Please avoid crowding at drop-off locations.

## **Arena**

For arena layout see the competition Bulletin 4.

Access in the arena will be strictly determined by accreditation.

- Remain in accredited areas and avoid contacts with other areas.

## **Warm up and Start Procedure**

Masks shall be worn in the start area while not warming up or starting. Sanitizer will be available in the start area.

## **During the Race**

Water/drink stations are organized to minimum potential virus transmission. Disposable cups will be used.

## **Finish**

Masks shall be worn as soon as possible after finishing, and prior to meeting media representatives, officials and other teammates.

Sanitizer will be available in the Finish Area.

## **Mixed zone**

Media contacts will be organised to be social distanced, i.e. separation of at least 2 meters.

## **Ceremonies**

Prize giving ceremonies, medal ceremonies, competition opening and closing ceremonies will take place in open air conditions.

- Masks shall be worn at all times
- Please pay attention to social distancing

## **Additional Information - Departure Testing**

As many countries require a receipt of negative COVID-19 test before entering, the organizers will be able to arrange testing at the competition arena before the end of competitions for 55 Euros. The test result would be available on the following morning. A certificate of the test result will be provided. Testing will be arranged if there is sufficient interest from the participating teams.

- Those who want to test and get certificate before leaving Turkey, please let us know by e-mail [info@jwoc2020.org](mailto:info@jwoc2020.org) by 26.06.