

# COVID-19 PRECAUTION PLAN

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Mission

The present COVID-19 Precaution Plan establishes the minimum standards for the participants and attendees of the 25<sup>th</sup> IHF Women's World Championship 2021 in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. The main goal of the Organising Committee is to organise an event in a safe environment for all parties involved, therefore the medical and operational protocols to be followed to safeguard the health of players, coaches, team officials, referees, delegates and other participants in the World Championship in Spain are established. The main goal of these measures is to try to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19. This document is subject to updates on a regular basis depending on the evolution of the situation.

The IHF and the Organising Committee ask everybody involved in the World Championship to strictly follow the provisions of the COVID-19 Precaution Plan in order to ensure a successful and safe event for all stakeholders.

### 1.2. Application and penalties

Non-compliance with any of the obligations set out in the present COVID-19 Precaution Plan as well as the Competition-Related Guidelines for Spain 2021 may lead to the following sanctions to be imposed by the Disciplinary Commission:

- a) Warning;
- b) Fine;
- c) Temporary suspension;
- d) Loss of points;
- e) Exclusion from the competition.

Any violation of the aforementioned obligations shall be reported to the Disciplinary Commission by one of the following persons:

- a) Respective COVID-19 officers;
- b) Members of medical teams;
- c) Event Delegates;
- d) IHF delegates of the matches

The COVID-19 Supervisory Panel meets every day during the World Championship to review the procedures and positive COVID-19 cases, if applicable. It is responsible for confirming disqualifications of players, teams, coaches and referees and the remaining stakeholders in case of any positive test result, and decides on possible competition-related consequences.

## 2. General information about COVID-19

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Most people infected with the virus experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. However, some become severely ill and require medical attention. Older people and those with underlying illnesses, such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease or cancer, are more likely to develop severe illness. Anyone, of any age, can contract COVID-19 and become seriously ill or die.

The most common symptoms are:

- Fever
- Cough
- Tiredness
- Loss of taste or smell

Other less common symptoms are:

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Aches or pains
- Diarrhoea
- Skin rash or discoloration of the fingers or toes
- Red or irritated eyes

On average, it takes 5 to 6 days for symptoms to subside from the time a person is infected with the virus, but it can take up to 14 days.

The virus can spread from the mouth or nose of an infected person in small liquid particles when coughing, sneezing, talking, singing or breathing. These particles range from larger respiratory droplets to the smallest aerosols. It is important to adopt good breathing practices, for example, coughing into the inside of a flexed elbow, and to stay home and self-isolate until you recover if you feel unwell.

## 2.1. Hygiene guidelines

In order to prevent infection and stop the transmission of COVID-19, the following guidelines are recommended:

- Keep physical distance from other people, even if they do not appear to be ill.
- Wear a face mask when physical distance is not possible or when you are in poorly ventilated places.
- Choose open, well-ventilated spaces rather than enclosed ones. Open a window if you are indoors.
- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water or clean them with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- If you feel unwell, inform your COVID-19 Officer and isolate yourself until you receive medical instructions.



## 2.2 Current situation in Spain

As Spain was amongst those countries that suffered severely from the pandemic, the Spanish Government approved the declaration of a State of Alarm throughout Spain on 14 March 2020 to deal with the health emergency caused by COVID-19. The purpose of these measures was to protect the health of citizens, contain the progression of the disease and reinforce the public health system.

Following the success of the measures, the state of alarm declared by Royal Decree 926/2020 ended at 00:00 on 9 May 2021. From this date onwards, the competences regarding restrictions have been under the control of the Governments of the Autonomous Communities.

## 2.3 Evolution of the pandemic in Spain


As of 5 November 2021, the evolution of the pandemic caused by COVID-19 is favourable, with a daily reduction of cases as the vaccination process of the population advances. The data at the national level and in the two autonomous communities where the venues of the World Championship are located are as follows:

- Spain (on 5 November):
  - o Cases over the last 14 days: 25,516
  - o Cumulative incidence rate in the last 14 days per 100,000 inhabitants: 53.77
  - o COVID-19 hospitalisations: 1.45%
  - o Occupied beds in ICU: 4.23%
- Catalonia (Granollers, on 5 November):
  - o Cumulative incidence rate in the last 14 days per 100,000 inhabitants: 64.71
  - o COVID-19 hospitalisations: 1.19%
  - o Occupied beds in ICU: 6.93%
- Comunitat Valenciana (Castelló, Llíria and Torrevieja, on 5 November):
  - o Cumulative incidence rate in the last 14 days per 100,000 inhabitants: 59.97
  - o COVID-19 hospitalisations: 2%
  - o Occupied beds in ICU: 5.89%



## 3. Regulations in Spain

### 3.1. Entry into Spain


All individuals travelling to Spain from another country (including children of any age, travellers in transit to other countries and Spaniards returning home), must complete a Health Control Form (HCF) associated with their trip. If they travel by air, they must do so through the WEB [spth.gob.es](https://spth.gob.es) or the APP, Spain Travel Health-SpTH (available for Android and iOS). If they travel by sea (ferries), through the following link: [spthm.puertos.es](https://spthm.puertos.es) .

Upon completion of the HCF, the system will send you a QR code that you will have to present both at the time of boarding and upon arrival in Spain.

At the present time, it is not mandatory to present the HCF if travel to Spain is by land (with the exception of entry by road from France).

If the person has stayed in a COVID-19 risk country or zone within the past 15 days (an airport stopover without leaving the international transit area is not considered a stay in a risk country), he or she must present a certificate or document proving vaccination, diagnostic test for active infection or COVID-19 recovery. These certificates will be different if they have been issued in a European Union country (EU Digital COVID Certificate) or in a third country. Please check the requirements for your country of origin before traveling to Spain (<https://www.mscbs.gob.es/en/profesionales/saludPublica/ccayes/alertasActual/nCov/spthRequisitosEntradaEspana/home.htm>).

The EU Digital COVID Certificate may be of three different types (vaccination, diagnostic test or recovery) and any of them may be used by travellers to enter Spain, as long as it meets the following criteria:

- Certificate of vaccination against COVID-19. It will be valid from 14 days after the administration of the complete vaccination regimen. You can consult the vaccines currently authorised by the [European Medicines Agency](#) or by the [World Health Organization](#).
- SARS-CoV-2 diagnostic test certificate. Those with a negative result, whose sample has been obtained, will be valid:
  - NAAT- nucleic acid amplification tests (e.g., PCR, TMA, LAMP, NEAR, etc.), within 72 hours prior to arrival in Spain,
  - RAT-rapid antigen test, within 48 hours prior to arrival in Spain. You can consult the list of rapid tests approved by the European Commission by clicking here .

- Certificate of recovery from COVID-19. It will be valid from the 11th day after the first positive NAAT-type diagnostic test until 180 days after the sample is taken.

The list of countries or areas at risk, as well as the criteria used for their definition, are reviewed every seven days and updated on the website of the Ministry of Health of the Government of Spain.

At present, no quarantine period is required for persons entering Spanish territory by any means.

To consult the current requirements for entry into Spain according to your country of origin, please consult the following link:  
<https://www.mscbs.gob.es/en/profesionales/saludPublica/ccayes/alertasActual/nCov/spth.htm>

In addition to these national regulations, the OC/IHF requests all participants to undergo a PCR test (see 4.1).

### 3.2. Vaccines permitted in Spain

The Ministry of Health of the Government of Spain establishes as vaccines against COVID-19 those authorised by the European Medicines Agency or those that have completed the emergency use process of the World Health Organization, which are periodically updated and published. Currently, the list includes the following vaccines:

| MANUFACTURER  | NAME OF THE VACCINE                                    |
|---|--|
| Pzifer/BioNTech Manufacturing   | BNT162b2/COMIRNATY                                     |
| AstraZeneca   | AZD1222 Vaxzevria                                      |
| Serum Institute of India Pvt. Ltd   | Covishield (ChAdOx1_nCoV-19)                           |
| Janssen-Cilag International NV  | Ad26.COV2.S (Johnson & Johnson)                        |
| Moderna Biotech   | mRNA-1273  |
| Sinopharm/BIBP1 - Beijing Institute of Biological Products Co., Ltd. (BIBP) | SARS-CoV-2 Vaccine (Vero Cell), Inactivated (InCoV)    |
| Sinovac Life Sciences Co., Ltd.   | COVID-19 Vaccine (Vero Cell), Inactivated/ CoronavacTM |

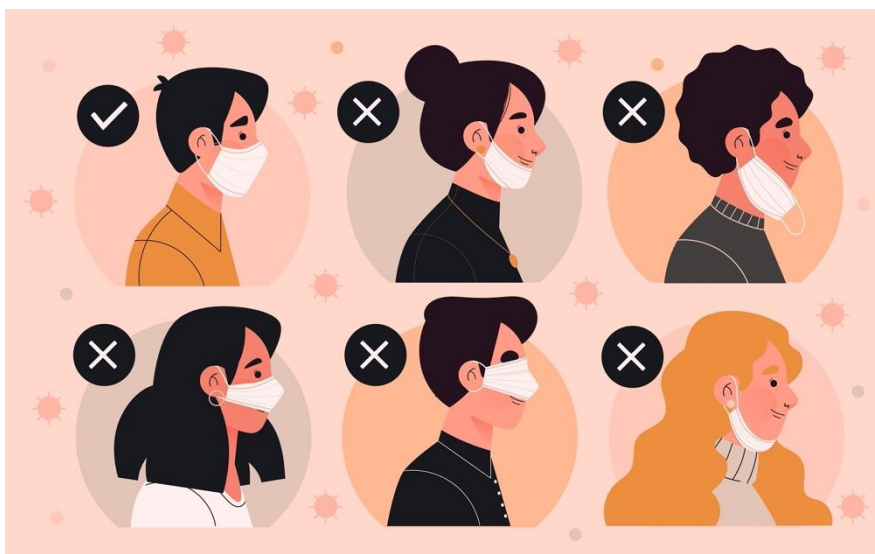
Additional measures will apply to non-vaccinated participants (see 4.1).

### 3.3. Regulations in force in Spain

#### 3.3.1. General

At present, the general measures in Spain are the following:

- Mandatory use of face mask:
  - Outdoors whenever the interpersonal safety distance of 1.5 metres cannot be maintained.
  - In enclosed spaces, such as indoor sports venues (halls).



### 3.3.2. Catalonia (venue of Granollers)

In the Autonomous Community of Catalonia, where the venue of Granollers is located, the following measures are currently in force:

- Mandatory use of face mask:
  - Outdoors whenever the interpersonal safety distance of 1.5 metres cannot be maintained.
  - In enclosed spaces, such as indoor sports venues (halls).
- There is no limitation or minimum distance between tables in catering premises, as well as no maximum number of diners allowed per table.

### 3.3.3. Comunitat Valenciana (venues of Castelló, Llíria and Torrevieja)

In the Comunitat Valenciana, where the venues of Castelló, Llíria and Torrevieja are located, the mandatory measures in force since 9 October, and until further update, are the following:

- Mandatory use of face mask:
  - Outdoors whenever the interpersonal safety distance of 1.5 metres cannot be maintained.
  - In enclosed spaces, such as indoor sports venues (halls).
- In catering establishments, tables may be occupied by a maximum of 10 people. The distance between tables must be 1.5 metres.

## 4. COVID-19 control measures

The Organising Committee will bear the costs related to COVID-19 for the teams and the IHF, including PCR tests before departure from Spain, rapid antigen tests on site, PCR tests for positive cases and their close contacts on site as well as for any isolation during and after the event, if required. The costs for PCR tests taken prior to arrival in Spain have to be borne by the teams (for their delegation members) or the IHF (for IHF Nominees).

### 4.1. The COVID-19 Officer (teams, IHF and Organising Committee)

Each participating team, as well as the IHF and the Organising Committee will have to appoint a person (in the case of teams it should be a team official, preferably a health official) as COVID-19 Officer. This person is responsible for the compliance with the measures and rules set out in this protocol by his/her delegation (team, referees, working group, etc.). The COVID-19 Officer must have knowledge of the symptomatology and transmission of SARS-CoV-2 as well as the regulations and prevention measures.

### 4.2. Testing regime for participants with access to FOP

#### 4.2.1. Start of the competition

All participants (teams, team guides, IHF, IHF service providers, IHF partners, OC) must be vaccinated and present a certificate of negative NAAT-PCR test result carried out within 72 hours before arrival at the World Championship accommodations. This certificate must be in English and contain at least the following information:

- Patient's full name
- Date of birth
- Passport number
- Date of sample collection
- Date of issue of the results
- Stamp and signature of the medical centre issuing the test

The participants will receive a link to upload the certificate; in addition, they must have a print copy.

Upon arrival at the hotel, all team delegations and IHF Nominees will undergo a rapid antigen test and will immediately isolate in their rooms until the results are known (around 20 to 45 minutes).

As for other collectives (S5, Swisstiming, etc.) they must follow the current prevention rules (check article 2.1)

Additionally, participants are recommended to monitor their health during the preparatory days before travelling to Spain and to strictly follow all precaution measures, taking other COVID-19 tests if possible.

#### 4.2.2. Control during the competition

- Participants that are fully vaccinated: rapid antigen test upon arrival at the hotel and rapid antigen test at the end of the preliminary round, main round and quarter-finals.
- Participants with medical certificate of recovery, valid for 180 days after positive NAAT-PCR test and negative NAAT-PCR test 10 days later: rapid antigen test upon arrival at the hotel and rapid antigen test at the end of the preliminary round, main round and quarter-finals.
- Non-vaccinated participants or participants with incomplete vaccination schedule upon arrival in Spain: rapid antigen test upon arrival at the hotel and rapid antigen test every 72 hours.
- For IHF Nominees who change venues during same competition phase (during preliminary round, for example) there will be no additional test.

All participants will isolate in their rooms until the results are known (around 20 to 45 minutes).

#### 4.3. Positive cases management

This protocol may vary depending on the considerations of the epidemiological evolution and the guidelines to be followed by the health and epidemiology services of the Valencian and Catalan communities.

Each case will be analysed and monitored individually.

If any delegation member or IHF Nominee tests positive for COVID-19, all members of the delegation concerned or IHF Nominees in the same venue respectively must undergo a rapid antigen test and isolate in their rooms until the results are known (around 20 to 45 minutes).

In all cases the costs incurred for the extra services (such as accommodation, transportation, testing, etc.) due to infection will be borne by the Organising Committee.



#### 4.3.1. Definition of close contact

Close contact is considered to be within 1.5 metres of a person infected with COVID-19 for more than fifteen (15) minutes (if in an open space) or for more than five (5) to ten (10) minutes (if in an enclosed space) without wearing a face mask or, alternatively, having direct physical contact.

In the event that teams occupy double rooms in the hotel, the initial quarantine will be limited to the roommate of the person who tested positive and will not include the entire team. (The duration of the quarantine will be 10 days for non-vaccinated persons, even with a negative result; for those who are vaccinated and get a negative test result, the case will be assessed by the Health Authorities Intervention Group.) However, close contacts with the person who tested positive may also be subsequently subject to quarantine. If close contact with a positive COVID-19 case is detected, the Medical Services Department of the Organising Committee and the IHF will take the decision on further procedures.

If any participant or person involved in World Championship duties tests positive, he/she must inform the COVID-19 Officer responsible for the persons with whom he/she has had direct contact in the last 48 hours.

#### 4.3.2. Positive cases in a team

##### 4.3.2.1. Player

If a player tests positive for COVID-19 during her participation in the World Championship, she will be isolated for 10 days depending on her symptoms in a hotel room or in a health centre. Additionally, all members of the delegation concerned must undergo a rapid antigen test and isolate in their rooms until the results are known (see 4.3).

If sharing a room, the roommate will be isolated for 10 days in a hotel if she does not present a complete vaccination schedule. If the partner has a complete vaccination schedule, a NAAT-PCR test will be performed. If the result is negative, she will be able to return to normal activity and a PCR test will be repeated after 5 days.

The costs derived from a positive result will be assumed by the Organising Committee.

#### 4.3.2.2. Team Official

If a team official tests positive for COVID-19 during his/her participation in the World Championship, he/she will be isolated for 10 days depending on his/her symptoms in a hotel room or in a health centre.

Additionally, all members of the delegation concerned must undergo a rapid antigen test and isolate in their rooms until the results are known (see 4.3).

If sharing a room, the roommate will be isolated for 10 days in a hotel room if he does not present a complete vaccination schedule. If the roommate has a complete vaccination schedule, a NAAT-PCR test will be performed. If the result is negative, he/she will be able to return to normal activity and a PCR test will be repeated after 5 days.

The costs derived from a positive result will be assumed by the Organising Committee.

#### 4.3.3. IHF Nominees

If an IHF Nominee tests positive for COVID-19 during his/her participation in the World Championship, he/she will be isolated for 10 days depending on his/her symptoms in a hotel room or in a medical facility.

Additionally, all IHF Nominees in the same venue must undergo a rapid antigen test and isolate in their rooms until the results are known (see 4.3).

The costs derived from a positive result will be assumed by the Organising Committee.

#### 4.3.4. Other cases

The guides of each team will be treated as team officials, following the same protocol in case of a positive result. The costs derived from a positive result of a team guide will be assumed by the Organising Committee.

## 5. Travel Guidelines

### 5.1. Before travelling to Spain

It is the responsibility of each participant to regularly check the current regulations regarding entry into Spain through the website of the Ministry of Health of the Government of Spain:

(<https://www.mscbs.gob.es/en/profesionales/saludPublica/ccayes/alertasActual/nCov/spth.htm>)

If any of the participants require authorisation from the Spanish Authorities, they must inform the Organising Committee by e-mail ([internacional@spainhandball2021.com](mailto:internacional@spainhandball2021.com)).

In case of substantial changes, the heads of delegation will be informed.

## 5.2. International travel

International travel refers to the airline flights that the participants will use for their trip to the World Championship.

It is essential to comply with the indications shown in article 2.1 during the entire international trip. All participants must comply with the applicable airline instructions, recommending the use of an FFP2 type mask during the entire trip and while waiting at airports.

As stated in article 4.1.1, the OC will require a certificate of a negative NAAT-PCR test carried out within 72 hours before arrival from all participants entering the accommodations regardless of their vaccination/recovery status.

## 5.3. Transfers during the competition

Transfers during the competition refers to bus, van and car transportation for the transportation of participants between the airport and the hotel; the hotel and the playing/training hall.

Each category of participants will have their own vehicle assigned to them for the duration of their stay and the event. All vehicles will have hand sanitising gel available for the passengers and will be disinfected after use.

Drivers and passengers should always wear a face mask properly, covering nose and mouth.

On buses, it is recommended that passengers use the rear door and handle their luggage and belongings themselves.

Non-team members (other than players, team officials and guides) are not allowed on the team buses.

The use of public transportation (cabs, subways, buses and streetcars) is strongly discouraged and the OC is not responsible for non-compliance with sanitary measures of those participants who decide to use them.



## 6. Accommodation guidelines

All participants must follow the guidelines established in 2.1, e.g., the mandatory use of face masks inside the hotels, both in common areas and meeting rooms according to the current prevention measures in Spain.

All accommodations established for the World Championship meet current sanitary requirements, with meeting rooms for the exclusive use of the participants, hotel floors for each team and dining rooms for the teams.

## 7. Guidelines for the halls

### 7.1. General provisions

According to current regulations, the use of masks covering the nose and mouth is mandatory in enclosed areas, such as sports halls, for all spectators and athletes who are not practicing sports.

The consumption of food and beverages (with the exception of water) is only permitted in the restaurant areas, if any, and is not allowed in the stands.

The indoor use of tobacco and related products (electronic or vapor cigarettes) is completely prohibited.

### 7.2. Entry and exit regulations

In order to avoid crowds, the entrances and exits of the sports venue will be made through different accesses for participants, spectators, etc.

Participating teams should plan their arrival at the sports facilities on time, avoiding arriving before the scheduled time for training, as well as leaving the facility on time. In the event that two teams arrive at the same time, and in order to avoid crowds, one of them will enter first and then the other.

Public access control will be staggered in order to avoid crowds.

### 7.3. Changing rooms

Teams and referees are assigned their own changing rooms. It will not be possible to use other changing rooms than those assigned by the Organising Committee.

Access to the changing rooms is restricted to participants and strictly necessary working staff (cleaning services).

## 7.4. Team stands

Participating teams wishing to use the areas provided in the stands must follow the regulations in force for spectators, i.e., mandatory use of face masks and no consumption of food and beverages (except water).

## 7.5. Field of play and competition areas

The playing court, the perimeter around it, the bench area, the match management table and the IHF support table, as well as the changing room area, doping control rooms and team stands are restricted to authorised staff only.

# 8. Guidelines for matches

## 8.1. General provisions

All participants must be informed about COVID-19 measures and must always follow the hygiene guidelines (see article 2.1). All areas of the hall must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfectant must be available at all entrances.

Players must maintain safe distances from other persons when entering and leaving the court.

## 8.2. Before the match

Handshakes, hugs and greetings with physical contact between participants are not allowed before the match.

## 8.3. Match management table

The scorekeeper, timekeeper and IHF delegates, as well as IHF Nominees at the match management and support tables must wear face masks (FFP2 recommended) covering nose and mouth at all times,

Hand-cleaning gel and disinfectant spray will be available for commonly used equipment (time-out buzzers, scoreboard console, etc.).

## 8.4. During the match

During the match, all participants must wear masks (preferably FFP2), except players, team officials and referees on the field of play.

Each player must have a bottle of water for individual use.

At half-time, the team benches will be disinfected.

### 8.5. After the match

Instead of the usual handshake after the match, the participants are obliged to confine themselves to fist bumps.

For the Player of the Match award, the authorities accessing the field of play must wear a mask covering nose and mouth and avoid any type of greeting involving physical contact.

Players and team officials must leave the field of play immediately after the end of the post-match procedure, the exit must be staggered, avoiding stopping to greet the fans (officials and players are recommended to use face masks on their way to the changing rooms).

It is recommended that players shower in their hotel rooms.

The staff of the hall will clean the field of play after each match.

## 9. Doping controls

Hygiene guidelines and the use of face masks must be respected in the doping control room at all times.

The room must be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. Whenever possible, it should be large enough for players and doping officials to maintain a safe distance.

Players who must undergo doping control may drink beverages in the waiting room without sharing in any case the bottles or cups, removing their face mask only to drink.

Doping officials must present a certificate of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test obtained within 72 hours prior to entering the hall and the doping control room.

## 10. Media guidelines

### 10.1. General provisions

All accredited media (with zone 4 access) must be vaccinated.

All participants, including all companies and their staff deployed at the World Championship, must comply with applicable local and national law at all times, as well as the requirements of this COVID-19 Precaution Plan. These include the mandatory use of a mask covering nose and mouth (preferably FFP2), the maintenance of a safety distance of at least 1.5 metres and regular hand washing. In addition, the Organising Committee reserves the right to request COVID-19 tests at the expense of the evolution of the pandemic and/or the request of the Health Authorities.

Media (with zone 4 access) is not requested to take COVID-19 tests during the World Championship, although prevention measures might change depending on the local regulations to control the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### 10.2. Staff and facilities

The number of accredited staff will depend on:

- Applicable local law;
- The available working spaces with appropriate hygiene measures;
- The total number of persons permitted in the areas, as well as any limitations on the number of persons permitted in the hall under local or national law.

#### 10.2.1. Photographers

The number of photographers during the match will be established according to local regulations regarding seating capacity. The position of each photographer should be clearly marked and their movements should be limited to the minimum possible.

Each photographer is responsible for his/her equipment and its disinfection.

The use of a mask that covers the nose and mouth is mandatory at all times (FFP2 recommended).

Photographers are not allowed to touch any type of material (balls, t-shirts, towels, etc.) that may be on the court.

### 10.2.2. Media stand

Seating in the media stand shall be established according to local regulations regarding seating capacity. The position of each media outlet must be clearly marked.

The use of a mask that covers the nose and mouth is mandatory at all times (FFP2 recommended).

### 10.2.3. TV Production

All television production staff must wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth at all times (FFP2 recommended).

Camera operators are not allowed to touch any type of material (balls, t-shirts, towels, etc.) that may be on the court.

## 10.3. Media activities

### 10.3.1. Trainings

Training sessions are recommended to be held behind closed doors without the presence of the media and limited to delegation members required to conduct the training sessions. Media access will be permitted during the first 10 minutes provided all precaution measures are followed.

### 10.3.2. Departure and arrival of the teams

To record the arrival of the teams, a manned camera position will be allowed. The position must guarantee a distance of at least 1.5 metres from the paths of the players and team personnel.

### 10.3.3. Pre-match interviews

The positions for pre-match interviews must be assigned in advance, with a minimum distance of 1.5 metres between the interviewer and players and/or officials.

The use of a mask that covers the nose and mouth is mandatory at all times (FFP2 recommended); with the exception of the interviewee.

### 10.3.4. Team time-out

Media crews are allowed to enter the field of play, provided they use at least 1-metre-long microphone poles. Media crews must try to keep the biggest distance possible, always using a FFP2 type face mask.

### 10.3.5. Press conference

All press conference attendees must wear a face mask covering the nose and mouth at all times. Only the player or official being interviewed may remove it.

The capacity of the room will depend on the local regulations in force.

### 10.3.6. Flash Zone

Journalists and camera crews must remain 1.5 metres away from the players and/or officials at all times.

The use of a mask that covers the nose and mouth is mandatory at all times (FFP2 recommended), with the exception of the interviewee.

### 10.3.7. Mixed Zone

Journalists and camera crews must remain 1.5 metres away from the players and/or officials at all times.

The use of a mask that covers the nose and mouth is mandatory at all times (FFP2 recommended), with the exception of the interviewee.

### 10.3.8. Recording of changing rooms

Access to the changing room is restricted to players and team officials, and media access is not permitted.

### 10.3.9. Recording at the team hotels

It is discouraged that the media access the hotels of the participating teams, recommending the use of outdoor locations to conduct interviews.

## 11. Guidelines for spectators

Depending on the development of the pandemic, and the regulations in force in the Autonomous Communities of the host cities during the World Championship, the Organising Committee will decide on the capacity allowed for the matches. The current number of spectators allowed inside the venues is 80% of the hall capacity.

It will be necessary to always wear a mask from the moment people enter the facility until they leave it. Outside of the halls, the use of face masks is mandatory if a distance of 1.5 metres between people cannot be guaranteed.

Public access control will be staggered in order to avoid crowds.

The stands are sectorized in such a way that changing seats is not allowed; each spectator must occupy only the seat assigned to them.

The consumption of food and beverages (with the exception of water) is only permitted in the restaurant areas, if any, and is not allowed in the stands.

The inside use of tobacco and related products (electronic or vapor cigarettes) is completely prohibited.

## 12. Guidelines for meetings

### 12.1. Team meetings

Team meetings must be carried out following the sanitary measures established in hotels, i.e., using face masks in closed spaces.

Each team will be assigned a meeting room and must use it during the established time slots.

Ventilation of the room is recommended whenever possible.

All the preventive measures established in article 2.1 must be respected (the use of a face mask indoors is mandatory even while keeping the safety distance).

### 12.2. IHF and OC meetings

Meetings of the IHF Nominees, OC must be carried out following the sanitary measures established in the hotels, i.e., using face masks in closed spaces.

Each group will be assigned a meeting room and must use it during the established time slots.

Ventilation of the room is recommended whenever possible.

All the preventive measures established in article 2.1 must be respected. (The use of a face mask indoors is mandatory even while keeping the safety distance)

### 12.3. Technical meetings

Up to 2 members of each delegation are allowed to participate in the Technical Meetings held during the championship. All participants must wear a mask covering nose and mouth except for the speaker.



The consumption of beverages and food will not be allowed, except for the consumption of water.

All the preventive measures established in article 2.1 must be respected (The use of a face mask indoors is mandatory even while keeping the safety distance).

#### 12.4. Other meetings

Any other meeting shall be carried out following the sanitary measures established in article 2.1.

Social gatherings between participants from different groups and/or people outside the World Championship are strongly discouraged.

### 13. Regulations for other groups

All people involved in the World Championship (volunteers, drivers, team guides, etc.) must present a vaccination certificate and have to follow the guidelines mentioned in article 2.1.



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## Annex 1

### Consideration of Fully Vaccinated Person

A person is considered to be fully vaccinated if he/she:

- has received 2 doses in a minimum of 19 days and it has been 7 days since the second dose. (Pfizer / BioNTech)
- has received 2 doses within a minimum of 21 days and it has been 14 days since the second dose. (Oxford / AstraZeneca / Sinovac / Sinopharm)
- has received 2 doses in a minimum of 25 days and 14 days have passed since the second dose (Moderna)
- has received 1 dose of Janssen and 14 days have passed
- has received 1 dose of AstraZeneca and a second dose of Pfizer/Moderna and it has been 14 days since the second dose
- has recovered from the disease and received 1 dose of Pfizer / Moderna / AstraZeneca / Sinovac / Sinopharm and 14 days have passed.

Individuals with a medical certificate of recovery from a COVID-19 infection, valid for 180 days after a positive NAAT-PCR test and a negative NAAT-PCR test 10 days later, will be considered as those with a complete vaccination regimen.