



# **GAZPROM 2021 EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## **HYGIENIC GUIDELINES FOR THE ETTU STAFF, ETTU OFFICIALS AND MATCH OFFICIALS**



# BEFORE THE EVENT

- **13.07.2021. - Mandatory day of arrival for the ETTU Competition Manager**
- **15.07.2021. - Mandatory day of arrival for the: Referee, ETTU staff**
- **16.07.2021. – Mandatory arrival day for the: Deputy referee’s, umpires**
- **Any date – Arrival day for the: ETTU officials, ETTU EB members, NA-s VIP delegates**
- All officials should be tested negative for COVID-19 on PCR test within 72 hours (ETTU requirement and Croatian Government requirement /48 hours (airline requirement) before entering the country and send test result to the ETTU Competition Manager (competition@ettu.org) and Organiser (covidcyc2021@gmail.com). We kindly ask the referee team and umpires to bring invoices from the testing to the organizers. They will reimburse the cost up to 100€.
- All officials are encouraged to be careful at least 14 days before travelling to the competition to not meet too many people, not to visit crowded places, to keep safety distance, wear face masks where necessary, to regularly disinfect and wash hands etc.
- For further recommendations please see here: [COVID-19 - Single page recommendations from ITTF](#) or [ITTF COVID-19 Guidelines v1.0](#)



# UPPON ARRIVAL

- All officials (even the ones vaccinated in their country) will undertake an Antigenic test at the Arena Varaždin (venue) before accreditation.

## **Procedure if someone will be tested positive on the Antigenic testing:**

- The LOC will only contact officials in case of a positive Antigenic COVID-19 test. Officials shall receive no official information after the negative results.
- If one person is tested positive at antigenic test, a PCR-based Corona test will follow immediately. In case the person being tested positive at the quick test was in contact before with other persons then a PCR-based Corona test will be made for the persons who arrived with same transport. The result of this test is available within 24 hours. These tests are on the ETTU/HSTS cost.
- If the PCR test reconfirms a participant positive, then the Croatian country's rule will apply ((web page: <https://croatia.hr/en-GB/coronavirus-2019-ncov-q-and-a>)
- In case an official is taken out of competition by decision of the host country's health office due to positive Covid test(s), costs quarantine cost will be covered by the ETTU/HSTS.

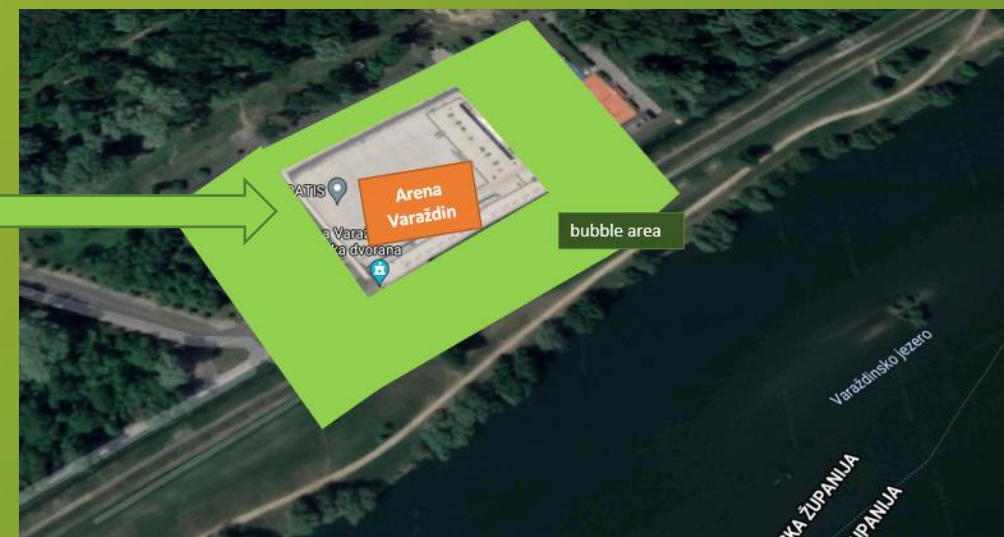


# AT THE HOTEL

- Face masks (medical) should be worn at all times at the hotel (except during eating), as well as during transits.
- It is strictly prohibited to leave the hotel for any reason.
- All shuttle buses are allowed to operate with 50% of capacity. In case the bus is reaching its capacity, the participant is not allowed to board and should wait for the available next bus.
- Meals shall be served at the hotel, in special designated areas only for the officials. These areas will be separated from the other food areas used for the public.
- To avoid the spread of infection (if any), officials should maintain the 1.5 meters distance all the time.
- Procedure if any symptoms are experienced at any time and if the body temperature is above 37.5 degrees:
  - Organizers will provide emergency Covid phone number
  - Medical staff will be sent to make a Covid test
  - Participants with symptoms of a respiratory infection will be refused entry to the competition and entry will be only granted again after negative result of a further antigenic or PCR test.

# AT THE VENUE

- LOC shall ensure proper floor markings are placed to maintain distance of 1,5 m between people in the case of queue formation at the entrance of the venue.
- Availability of handwashing amenities with soap and water, non-contact air hand dryers or paper towels in toilets shall be guaranteed.
- It is strictly prohibited to leave the venue for any reason without prior approval by ETTU officials. Officials leaving the bubble area in the venue will be excluded from the competition. The marked surroundings of the venue are considered as an inclusive part of the bubble area.
- Face masks should be used at all times except for players during practice and competition.
- At the venue using of showers is forbidden.
- If any symptoms are experienced at any time and if your temperature is above 37.5 degrees, please inform the Competition Manager or the responsible ETTU official immediately to seek the appropriate medical attention. Participants with symptoms of a respiratory infection will be transferred to a hotel room in a special vehicle. Entry to the competition will be only granted again after the negative result of a further antigenic or PCR test.
- Physical distancing of 1.5 meters should be maintained between all individuals at all the time.
- If the official is not on duty, it is strongly recommended not to stay at the venue and go back to the hotel room. If there will be not enough time to go to the hotel and back, officials will stay in the specially designated area for them on the tribunes.





# BEFORE THE MATCH

- Tables in call area must be spaced at a minimum distance of 2m.
- At the call area players, coaches and officials must wear masks (medical mask)
- Players must sanitize their hands before selecting the balls.
- At the call area, players must always ensure that they maintain a safe social distance of minimum 1,5m between match officials and other participants.
- In the event that an umpire has to choose the balls on behalf of the players, the umpire shall sanitize its hands before and after the selection process.





## AT THE FoP (during the match)

- For match in procedures, umpires will always enter the FoP before players.
- Coin toss to be done by umpire in front of the umpires table and with players remaining on their sides while maintaining a social distance of at least 1,5 m.
- During match presentation procedures, umpires and players must still maintain an appropriate social distance of at least 1,5 m
- Umpires and players shall not shake hands.
- All matches will be played with one ball. Multi balls system will not be implemented.
- Players are not allowed to use their own towels to wipe the match table. Players shall indicate to Umpires if the match table needs cleaning. A designated person (umpires) will be asked to clean the table.
- No breathing on the ball.
- No hand wiping on table surface.
- Spitting should be avoided in the FoP.
- There will be NO change of ends after each game.
- Umpires will wear the face mask (medical mask) during the match



# END OF THE MATCH

- Umpires and players shall not shake hands.
- Players and umpires should leave the venue and return to the hotel as soon as all match procedures are over, or players can stay in the venue in special designated seats for each association.
- Umpires will disinfect playing table and coaches chair (individual events) after each match.
- Volunteers will disinfect chairs after each team match.





# PRE-DEPARTURE PCR TESTING

- Officials needing a PCR test for returning to their home country shall inform the host at the same time than confirming their delegation to the following e-mail address : [covideyc2021@gmail.com](mailto:covideyc2021@gmail.com) .The organizer will then provide the testing on the organizers / ETTU cost.



# IMPORTANT REMARKS

- In case someone is tested positive he/she will be obligated to stay in isolation in hotel room for 10 days and he/she will be considered out of the bubble. By Croatian law he/she will be released of isolation after day 10. Each Association is responsible for the full quarantine cost of their accredited persons.
- According to Croatian regulation, if the positive tested person was accommodated in a double room, another person from this room will be also taken under quarantine.
- Any close contacts of the person who was tested positive will be applied Croatian Covid-19 health security measures.



# DISCLAIMER

- The LOC and ETTU are reserving the right to change or update the COVID-19 Guidelines. In case of an update or change, participants will be officially informed in due time



Each accredited person must sign this document:

I herewith confirm having read, understood the hygienic guidelines and conditions for the European Youth Championships and with my signature I confirm acceptance:

Association:	
Team:	
Name of the association official representative, the team leader:	
Date:	
Signature:	

**A signed document must be sent to the ETTU Competition Manager ( [competition@ettu.org](mailto:competition@ettu.org) ) latest on Monday, 12.07.2021.**