

# **2021 UCI Track World Championships COVID-19 specifications**

## **Media Plan**

The COVID-19 countermeasures are organised according to the principle protective "bubbles" around the teams and groups of individuals in interaction with the team bubble. The general objectives are 1) controlling entry into the "team bubbles", and 2) restricting direct and unprotected contact between the "team bubbles" and people whose health status has not been checked.

During the 2021 Track Cycling World Championships, a unique COVID bubble will be established, including

- riders and National Federation sporting staff
- UCI International Commissaires
- National Commissaires
- Doping Control Officers – AFLD
- some specific UCI staff
- some specific LOC staff
- Tissot Timing
- Media (photographers, cameramen, written and spoken press)
- some volunteers in interaction with the Teams.

## I. PROCEDURES FOR ENTERING THE TRACK BUBBLE

Health checks shall be undertaken for all accredited persons prior to travelling to the Event. These health checks shall include **both a clinical and a biological component**.

1. **the detection of clinical symptoms** suspected of COVID-19 is important before travelling. In the event of fever (> 38°C), cough and/or dyspnea, abnormal fatigue, anosmia and/or ageusia, stuffy nose or sore throat, unusual myalgia, and/or unusual headache, please stay at home, consult your personal doctor and do not travel to the Event.
2. **specific COVID-19 tests** are essential to detect healthy carriers of the virus.

**One negative PCR Test is required** for everyone (whatever the country of origin) on D-3 (or D-2) upon withdrawal of their accreditation, for all journalists, i.e. photographers, cameramen, written and spoken journalists. A **hard copy** of the analysis report will be presented upon arrival at the venue, for the use of shuttle, access to the official hotel and accreditation withdrawal.

## II. ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF THE TRACK BUBBLE DURING THE EVENT

### 1. Hotels

**Photographers, cameramen and journalists arriving from an orange or red country** must be accommodated in official hotels offered by the organizer, and use official means of transport for commuting inside the Track bubble (railway station / airport, to the hotels, to the venue).

Although they are integrated into the Track bubble, **photographers, cameramen and journalists arriving from a green country** are not required to be accommodated in official hotels offered by the organizer or to use official means of transport.

Information will be sent to the hotels in order to enable social distancing between groups. Moreover, specific preventive measures will be implemented by hotel staff, such as room cleaning, maintaining physical distancing from guests, hand washing, wearing a mask during service, etc.

**2. The following measures will be implemented** for all media, photographers, cameramen and written and spoken journalists.

**a- wearing the facemask** will be permanent in the infield including the media zone, for the entire duration of the event. The mask shall be worn correctly, covering nose and mouth.

**b- daily health checks** are necessary, under the responsibility of each one, as a self-monitoring (see II.1). The individual health checks should be completed in the morning, before the daily activities.

**c- additional COVID tests.**

\* For all vaccinated photographers, cameramen and journalists arriving from a green country, no additional COVID test is mandatory. To be valid, the vaccine used must be recognized by the European Medicines Agency (i.e. Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca or Johnson & Johnson vaccines).

The vaccination certificate will be delivered,

- seven days after the second shot for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca (Vaxevria and Covishield));
- four weeks after the shot for one-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson);
- seven days after the shot for vaccines administered to people who have already had COVID-19 (only one dose is necessary).
- seven days after a booster mRNA dose (Moderna or Pfizer) after two shots of a vaccine on the WHO's health emergencies list (Sinovac/Coronavac or Sinopharm/BBIB-PVeroCells).

**For photographers and TV's crew, the official vaccination certificate will be uploaded before accreditation withdrawal on the dedicated platform, using the following link,**

<https://box.uci.ch/index.php/s/g4w8oIW1CIQHmA8>

The PDF files of vaccination certificates **shall be named as follows:**

MEDIA.first name.last name.pdf

**For administrative management reasons, these instructions must be absolutely followed. Any file that does not respect the form and is not named in agreement cannot be taken into account and will be rejected.**

\* For all photographers, cameramen and journalists arriving from an orange or red country (vaccinated or not), a daily rapid antigen test is mandatory. These rapid tests will be carried out by the official laboratory designated by the organizer and the financial support will be provided by the organizer. Additional information will be provided later.

\* For unvaccinated photographers (red and yellow bibs) and cameramen authorized to access the track or the box area arriving from a green country, a daily rapid antigen test is mandatory. These rapid tests will be carried out by the official laboratory designated by the organizer and the financial support will be provided by the organizer. Additional information will be provided later.

\* For unvaccinated written and spoken journalists arriving from a green country, the EU digital COVID certificate is mandatory. The EU COVID certificate, is issued by national health authorities in digital or paper form, and authenticated by a QR code. The people concerned here not being vaccinated it is used to prove either,

- that they are not carriers of the SARS-CoV-2 thanks to the negative results of a PCR (less than 72 hours) or an antigen test (less than 48 hours),
- that they have recently recovered from the COVID-19 disease for more than 15 days and less than 6 months.

**3. Separate pathways** will be arranged for enter and exit the velodrome and the media area.

**4. Hydro-alcoholic gel** will be available upon entrance and exit to the velodrome, the infield zone and media area.

**5. The media centre** will be arranged

- to separate an area for photographers (with direct access to the infield), from an area reserved for the written and spoken press,
- to maintain a distance of 1.5 m between workstations.

**6. The mixed zone** will be enlarged; all journalists should wear a mask, and wear it properly, covering mouth and nose. They must maintain a physical distance (approximately 1.5 m) with the riders and use a pole-mounted microphone for interviews.

### **III. MANAGEMENT OF SUSPECTED COVID-19 CASES**

All persons involved in the Event (including Event staff and team members) are requested to signal any suspicion of COVID-19 immediately to the Event medical services; the Event medical services will contact the COVID-doctor to manage the follow-up with the suspect patient.

- the management of clinical cases is in agreement with the French health authorities;
- the identification of contact cases with a confirmed COVID-19 case (close contacts and low-risk exposure contacts) is under the responsibility of the COVID-doctor, in coordination with the competent health authorities;
- the implementation of the initial clinical examination protocol, and referral of the patient to the nearest COVID centre is the responsibility of the COVID-doctor;
- the identification of persons who shall be quarantined is the competence of the COVID-doctor, in accordance to the health French national rules.

**The definition of contact cases depends on the observance of physical distancing and mask wearing rules. Reducing the number of contact cases that will be isolated depends on the application of physical distancing, mask wearing and regular hand washing in all circumstances.**