

2021 EUROPEAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS COVID-19 PROTOCOL

Travel protocol

Everyone MUST arrive in Białystok on Thursday 17 June 2021.

If you have already been vaccinated against Covid-19, you still need to comply with all parts of the protocol as this currently doesn't exempt you from all required tests.

Covid-19 testing protocol

Pre-arrival testing rules depend on whether you are travelling from the Schengen zone or not (see more information here: https://www.gov.pl/web/coronavirus/temporary-limitations) but it is a requirement from Badminton Europe that all participants must send a proof of negative PCR test done maximum 72h hours before arrival. The proof of the negative Covid-19 test MUST be sent before arrival to events@badmintoneurope.com.

Thursday 17 June 2021: upon arrival in the hotel, all participants must get a PCR test done. The results will be available within 24h and it will be mandatory to stay in your room while waiting for the test results.

In addition, everyone will be tested again on Sunday 20 June 2021 on site at the hotel. A test schedule will be made and sent in advance to all participating Clubs. This will be a quick antigen test.

Prices for Covid-19 tests: around 100€/person/test (individual tests on site will have to be paid for by the Clubs).

Positive Covid-19 test on site

In case of a positive Covid-19 test, a second PCR test will be conducted as soon as possible to confirm the result.

If a player or a close contact of a player has a confirmed positive Covid-19 test, the whole team will be excluded from the competition to ensure a safe badminton bubble for the others.



A person who was tested positive (including a second confirmed test), will have to go into immediate isolation for 13 days.

This person will be placed in a single room at the hotel (if this was not already the case) and will not be allowed to leave the room or have anyone else entering the room.

In case further care is needed, this person will be transported to the hospital.

After 13 days, and only if the person was symptom free for at least the last 3 days, the isolation period will end and this person is free to travel home again. No further tests are required, unless needed to travel back home.

The quarantine imposed on those who have been in close contact with persons infected with coronavirus is 10 days.

A close contact is defined as the following (based on 72h before the test has been conducted):

- Anyone who shared a room with the infected person
- Anyone who had physical contact with the infected person (f.e. shaked hands, hugged, physio treatment,...)
- Anyone who has been within 2m distance of the infected person without a mask for minimum 15 minutes (f.e. sitting close to each other while eating, doubles partners on court during training,...)

Players/officials who fall under the definition of a close contact of a positive case, will need to quarantine themselves for 10 days in the hotel before they can fly home, as mentioned above. It is up to each positive case to honestly inform the organisation of who has been in close contact with him/her.

We are aware that a previous Covid-19 infection can cause a 'false positive' PCR test within 6 months after the infection has subsided. Therefore, we ask all players/officials who tested positive within the last 6 months, to provide us with the necessary proof of this from your medical institution (in English), so we can interpret a positive test result with caution and perform additional tests to confirm a possible infection or not. Please send this information to events@badmintoneurope.com before arrival in Poland.

For persons who are receiving a positive test on site and who have had a Covid-19 infection in the last 6 months, we will also do an antibody test on site.

We recommend everybody who has not been tested regularly within the last 6 months to take an antibody test before coming to Poland, as this could help, should this person be tested positive during the tournament.



BEC Covid-19 guidelines

The BEC Covid-19 guidelines will be in applied at the 2021 European Championships and can be found here:

http://www.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=239&pageid=23571

Everyone is asked to bring their own face masks to the event.

Accommodation

The official tournament hotel will be mandatory for all players and officials participating in the 2021 European Club Championships. This will enable us to create a 'badminton bubble', which will be safer for everyone.

Full board accommodation in the official tournament hotel will cost:

- single room: approximately 97€/person/night
- double room: approximately 75€/person/night

Everyone will be brought from the airport straight to the tournament hotel in buses with enough free space to keep distance. Masks MUST be worn at all times from arrival at the airport until entering the hotel room.

At the hotel everyone MUST stay in quarantine until the negative test result from the test done upon arrival in the hotel is received (max. 24h). During this quarantine, the following applies:

- You are not allowed to be in contact with anyone besides your roommate.
- You need to stay in your room.
- You are not allowed to visit the hotel reception except in case of emergency.

After receiving your test result from the test done upon arrival on 17/06:

- You are allowed to go to practice or to the gym, but keeping a safe distance from as many people as possible.
- You are allowed to go for a 10/15 min walk outside of the hotel, but keeping a safe distance from as many people as possible.
- You are not allowed to be in contact with other customers at the hotel.
- You need to wear a face mask whenever leaving the hotel room.
- You are not allowed to go to grocery stores / restaurants / shopping malls / ...
- You are not allowed to visit the hotel reception except in case of emergency.
- You are not allowed to use/sit in the bar of the hotel



After receiving your test result from the test done on 20/06:

- You are allowed to interact with other people within the bubble who are also tested negative, but of course still taking the necessary precautions.
- You are allowed to go to practice or to the gym, but keeping a safe distance from as many people as possible.
- You are allowed to go for a 10/15 min walk outside of the hotel, but keeping a safe distance from as many people as possible.
- You are not allowed to be in contact with other customers at the hotel.
- You need to wear a face mask whenever leaving the hotel room.
- You are not allowed to go to grocery stores / restaurants / shopping malls / ...
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Practice

Practice will be possible on 19 and 20 June 2021.

A practice schedule will be made by Badminton Europe and will provide an equal amount of practice time for all Clubs.