# Covid-19 bulletin 3 5 August 2021

European Youth Orienteering Championships











## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

This Covid-19 Bulletin 3 has been developed to protect athletes, team members, organisers and officials from becoming infected by the Covid-19 virus.

Since Covid-19 cases on the rise in Lithuania for the last few weeks, and very contagious Deltavariation dominating the new instances of infection, we, the Organizers, have decided **not to allow spectators in the arenas.** We emphasize the importance of following the safety protocol properly!

All regulations stated in this Covid-19 Bulletin are valid for the participants, coaches, all team officials and media persons during the whole event.

Isolation, guarantine, medical and testing costs are the responsibility of an individual / a team. We recommend considering your individual or team insurance coverage prior to arrival at the event.

It is important that each participant of EYOC 2021 (organiser, athlete, Team official etc) bears a big personal responsibility for the safety of the whole Event Bubble. Take precautions before your travel to Lithuania. Reduce your social activities and contacts to an absolute minimum, and avoid any place which poses a high risk of infection.

Thank you for your understanding!











## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For Covid-related correspondence and emergencies write to <a href="mailto:covid@eyoc2021.lt">covid@eyoc2021.lt</a>

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## RESPONSIBILITY TO REPORT IN CASE OF ILLNESS

If anyone starts to feel sick during EYOC, he/she is obligated to notify his/her Team officials and the organizers (esp. Covid doctor, see above) to immediately seek medical help.

The affected person, and any roommate, shall immediately self-isolate and inform other team members only by telephone or mail.

If the case of infection with Covid-19 is confirmed, specific steps may affect multiple other people due to contact tracing and isolation of persons who have been in close contact.

#### **VIOLATION OF THE RULES**

This Covid-19 Bulletin 2 is considered as additional regulations as per sections 2.5 and 2.6. of the IOF Competition Rules. Violation of the Covid-19 rules may lead to losing your accreditation and the right to participate in the event. Complaints regarding these rules may be raised to the organisers and will be ruled upon by the organisers. Any protests to the organisers decision will be considered by the Jury in a standard manner as described by the IOF Competition Rules.

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#### **ENTERING LITHUANIA**

Please be aware of your personal responsibility to inform yourself of the currently applied rules that apply to incoming travellers. Entry rules are changing quite often, thus we ask you to follow the latest precautions frequently. In case you have any questions regarding the precautions, do not hesitate to ask us and we will do our best to help you. Violation of the Rules might lead to consequences applied by responsible national authorities or the organisers.

# Athletes, Team officials

Since the participants and team members of EYOC 2021 are entering Lithuanian Republic as 'high-performing athletes and/or sports instructors', athletes and team officials get an exception from the requirement of self-isolation after entering Lithuania. Each Team must submit 'Exception from quarantine' in an official form via <a href="IOF Eventor">IOF Eventor</a> prior to their travel. The signed confirmation will be sent to all entered teams in advance of their travel.

Each incoming person must fulfill the Travellers' Questionnaire (<u>link</u>)\* and have a proof of a negative PCR/Antigen test result, taken not earlier than 72/48 hours before entering Lithuania.

**NB!** Children up to 16 years old (15 and younger) are not required to submit a negative test result upon arrival to Lithuania.

## **Media representatives**

No exception from valid rules (incl. self-isolation) as applied to ordinary travellers from countries belonging to each category according to the <u>ECDC Europe colour map</u> (Green, Yellow, Red, Grey)

\* When filling the Questionnaire, athletes and Team officials shall tick the "I am covered by exemption from self-isolation under Sub-paragraph 1<sup>1</sup>.1" box before submitting!

General information regarding Coronavirus precautions in Lithuania

Information for foreign arrivals: National Public Health Center; Lithuania Travel



## **ENTERING THE EYOC 2021 BUBBLE**

# **Bubble Athletes/ Team Officials/ IOF Officials and Jury**

It is compulsory for the participants inside the EYOC 2021 bubble to provide a negative **PCR test** before accreditation. This does not apply to those who have been infected with Covid-19 disease in the past 180 days. 2

Please note the different requirements for entrance to Lithuania and the EYOC 2021 Bubble. The PCR test shall be taken no earlier than 48 hours prior to the event. Certified tests taken abroad or in Lithuania will be accepted.

Upon your arrival, an Antigen test for accreditation will be carried out. The result of this test should be available within 30 minutes. In case your test result is negative, you will be granted your accreditation.

In case of a positive Antigen test, an additional PCR test will be carried out for verification of the Antigen test result. Throughout the duration of the verification of the PCR test, you will be asked to self isolate in your own room.

<sup>1</sup> The certificate must be in Latin or Slavic alphabet, in Lithuanian, Russian or English and must include the personal data of the person tested (name and date of birth), testing method, test result, location and time of the test and the data of the person or laboratory where the test has been performed. A certified printout from a database of another country is also accepted as a certificate.

<sup>2</sup> In such case, a participant must present a medical certificate issued by a doctor to the organizers no later than one week before the event.



#### **ON-SITE TESTING**

The On-site Covid-19 Antigen testing will be carried out in collaboration with our partner <u>kraujolaboratorija.lt.</u> which will provide a mobile laboratory on 18-19 August (Tuesday-Wednesday).

There will be two testing locations:

- at Urbihop hotel, Ąžuolyno g. 7, Vilnius, 54.70662, 25.23493
- at Green hotel, Pilaitès pr. 20, Vilnius, 54.69898, 25.21140

The organizer will provide the exact testing term and site for each Team as soon as all the participating countries have provided their arrival information.

- PCR test 70 eur per person, test results will be available not later that 24 hours.
- Antigen test 25 eur per person, test result will be available not later that 30 minutes.
- Express PCR test 110 eur per person, test results will be available not later that 6 hours.

In case of a positive Antigen test, a subsequent PCR will be carried out for the individual in question. The cost of this test will be covered by the on organisers..

All participants shall remain in strict self-isolation until receiving the test results. It is allowed to go outside for light exercise, although avoiding any contact or visits (e.g. grocery, pharmacy etc.).

The costs of testing will be added to the overall invoice for provided services for each Team after EYOC. Preliminary number of required tests per Team must be sent to <a href="mailto:office@eyoc2021.lt">office@eyoc2021.lt</a> on Tuesday 10 August at the latest.

## **Testing times**

18 August 19 August

10:00-20:00 (EEST) 7:00-19:00 (EEST)



#### **POSITIVE TEST**

In case of a positive test result in a Team, the following measures apply:

- An affected person must be immediately isolated.
- The local health authority will trace his/her contacts and decide about the effect on other team members. Conduct prior to the isolation will be considered important when deciding upon the follow-up measures. The notification to the Organisers or responsible Team officials has to be made in a contactless way (e.g. no personal contact).
- The duration of a quarantine is 14 days. A new PCR test may not be done earlier than tenth day
  of self-isolation. In case of a negative PCR test result and absence of symptoms, quarantine
  ends after 14 days.
- In case of emergency, please call hotline number 112.
- In case a fully-vaccinated person produces a positive PCR test result (a weak positive), he/she will have to undergo an additional test in a public hospital in Vilnius (additional PCR test, SARS-COV-2 antibodies test and a laboratory test). If the additional test reconfirms the positive result, the person will be considered as infectious and will be forced to undergo an isolation lasting 14 days.
- According to the laws of the Republic of Lithuania, foreign citizens that are living abroad may leave Lithuania to their state of residence before the expiration of the mandatory period of isolation. Prior departure is allowed only when the person is not showing any symptoms of upper respiratory tract infection (URTI) and they perform a negative SARS-COV-2 PCR test (produced no later than 48 hours before departure). When leaving, Lithuanian health authorities must be informed. Check information here.
- Isolation, quarantine, medical and testing costs have to be covered by an individual or a Team
  itself. Please take these costs into account when planning your trip.
- In case you have got a positive result after coming back from Lithuania, please inform us on covid@eyoc2021.lt



## **DEPARTURE TESTING**

If you need a test for travelling home, we offer an opportunity for a test directly at the Event Office. Such testing has to be pre-ordered. We can provide both PCR and Antigen testing.

- A PCR test 70 eur per person, test results will be available no later than 24 hours after testing;
- An antigen test 25 eur per person, test results will be available no later than 1 hour after testing;

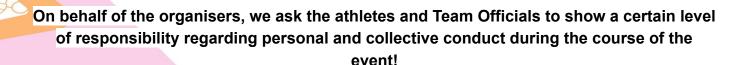
Number of persons in need for a Departure test by each Team must be sent to <a href="mailto:office@eyoc2021.lt">office@eyoc2021.lt</a> on Tuesday 10 August at the latest.

# **ENTERING the EYOC 2021 BUBBLE (for Organisers)**

- The members of the Organising team form part of the Bubble system as well, thus they are obliged to obey all the valid rules.
- Each member of the Organising team must provide a negative PCR test not older than 72 hours to be accredited.

## **LEAVING THE BUBBLE**

- Re-entrance is not possible.
- You will be required to submit your accreditation at the Event Office upon leaving the Bubble.
   Having done this, it will no longer be possible to stay with your team in the same accommodation or to be in contact with them (or any other person inside the Bubble).



## RULES IN THE BUBBLE AND DURING COMPETITION

- Maintain a social distance of at least 2 meters.
- Wearing a face mask is **mandatory everywhere** except when dining, drinking and exercising. E.g. mask must be worn in quarantine, pre-start, event office, dining, competition arenas, bus transportation. All masks have a limited intended use period change masks frequently.
- Disposable face masks will be provided at the Competition arena. The competitors who have completed their race will get a face mask before reading out their SI-chips.
- Wash hands frequently using soap (from the dispenser) as well as sanitize your hands with a sanitizer/disinfectant. Substances will be made available at the Quarantine and the Competition arena.
- Water/drink stations will be organised in the safest possible way.
- All prize giving ceremonies will take place outdoors at the arenas. No handshakes, hugs; athletes can take off the mask when taking pictures only.
- Avoid any unnecessary contact (spectators, family member etc.) on any occasion.
- When coughing or sneezing, please use a disposable tissue or an elbow.
- Please be aware of the risk of being put in a quarantine in case you meet a person infected with Covid-19 who is not wearing a face mask.
- Act responsibly when outside the Bubble (e.g. in your free time): avoid excessive contact, visits, shopping etc.
- The EYOC 2021 Bubble ends at the time of check-out from your EYOC accommodation. Until
  the check-out, you are obliged to follow the measures of this Covid-19 Bulletin.



# RULES DURING COMPETITION (for media)

- Only pre-registered media persons with a valid accreditation will be allowed to enter the competition arenas.
- Accreditation will be done at the Event Office. All persons will undergo a Covid-19 check-in procedure. Media persons will be required to show the organisers a negative PCR test which is not older than 48 hours or performed on the day of the arrival to the Event Office.
- Media can use the PCR testing organized by the WOC team. The service is available only when presheduled, please send your requests to <a href="mailto:office@eyoc2021.lt">office@eyoc2021.lt</a> Tuesday 10 August at the latest.
- It is mandatory to wear face masks indoors and outdoors, especially at the competition arenas.

# **RULES DURING COMPETITION (for VIP / Partners/ IOF Family)**

- Only pre-registered VIP/Partners with a valid accreditation will be allowed to enter the competition arenas.
- Accreditation will be done by the first entering of the competition arena.
- Upon entering the Arena, a Covid-19 check-in will be performed. A person must provide either a Lithuanian COVID pass or a European Digital Covid Certificate.
- Each person will receive a bracelet, which must be worn throughout all days of the competition.
- It is mandatory to wear face masks indoors and outdoors, especially at the competition arenas.
- Individuals are encouraged to refrain from handshaking and maintain social distancing.
- When attending the Prize giving ceremony, we ask everyone to maintain social distance and refrain from handshaking.



## **PUBLIC RACES**

Spectators will not be allowed to the EYOC competition arenas. The public race (Takas 2021) will take place in the same arenas (except for sprint on Sunday) but in the afternoon hours. There will be no allocated space for spectators or anyone outside the Bubble - please respect the rules.

## **GDPR**

- As the receiving organisation, the Lithuanian Orienteering Federation is responsible to inform the participants about the usage of their personal data and may be asked to prepare all necessary personal data (e.g. PCR test results, contact information etc.) in case of a demand by a national administrative authority (such as police, local health authority, National Agency of Sport etc.)
- All personal data will be treated with the highest level of security within a small group of the Organising team. We, the Lithuanian Orienteering Federations, as the organisers and administrators of the date, shall provide the data to select organisations listed below.
  - kraujolaboratorija.lt; Vilnius University Hospital Santaros Klinikos;
  - Lithuanian Police;
  - others, if necessary for the infection-related needs (e.g. a testing company, Ministry of Health etc.).
- All personal data (including PCR test results, personal phone numbers, email addresses etc.) will be deleted in Autumn 2021 after fully completing the EYOC 2021 organisation work.

