







## COVID-19 PREVENTION PROTOCOL Tour de Ski 2021 Val di Fiemme GUIDELINES FOR TEAMS



The **outbreak of the Covid-19 Pandemic** has affected all our lives, and also the whole world of sport has been influenced by this health worldwide emergency, that all the organisers of sport events have to face with proper and specific rules. Because of the development of the Coronavirus infection all over the world during the year 2020, **many Covid-19 related restrictions will be fixed also by the OC Fiemme World Cup**.

The OC, in order to minimize the risk of infection, has established **that no spectators and no guests** will be allowed to enter the competitions' venues and there won't' be any side events program. Neither normal nor virtual press conferences will be held.

The final stages of 15<sup>th</sup> Tour de Ski in Val di Fiemme will take place with enhanced safety measures.

According to the national and local provisions regarding the Covid-19 protection and to FIS Covid-19 prevention guidelines, the OC has set up a specific protocol with some rules that all the stakeholders involved in our events have strictly to follow.

Every person that gets an accreditation for the event, has to accept the content of this Protocol.

## BASICS

Individual responsibility is the most important aspect for the safety of everyone. Everybody must follow the basic hygiene measures, to prevent the spread of Covid-19 infection:

- 1. Keep the minimum distance of 1m
- 2. Wear a mask always inside and outside
- 3. Wash and disinfect frequently your hands

Anybody who should show symptoms of Covid-19 during the event must contact immediately the OC, informing the Race Office at the following number T. +39 0462 810176.







### **JOURNEY TO VAL DI FIEMME**

Before coming to Val di Fiemme please visit the <u>Italian Ministry website ></u> to be updated regarding the travel restrictions.

Do not travel to Val di Fiemme if you have symptoms of Covid-19.

During your stay in Val di Fiemme, please try to avoid any contact with other people outside the competition venue.

### **TRANSPORT**

#### AIRPORT TRANSFER

Due to Covid-19 restriction the OC is not able to organise any transport from/to foreign airports; therefore, the **official airports** are **Venezia – Bergamo – Verona**.

**1 transport (from and to the airport) is free of charge**. For the teams that need transport from the official airports to the hotels please contact: <u>info@fiemmeworldcup.com</u>

Price for additional transport (depending on destination) will be communicated on request. No shuttle service in the valley will be organised by the OC.

For the transportation service you must follow the national regulations. The drivers are tested negative for Covid.19. Inside the cars/bus you must wear a surgical mask. The surgical mask must be put on before entering the vehicle.

#### **PASS & PARK ALPE CERMIS**

To reach the finish area of the Cermis Final Climb on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> January, **1 minibus per nation** can get **a parking card** in order to go on Alpe Cermis and park there. For this particular season, the OC will allow the teams **who will need** it, to have **another pass for a second vehicle:** this further pass will be just **a drop-off card**, and it **won't allow the parking** at the finish area of Alpe Cermis.

### ACCOMMODATION

Booking for accommodation will be done according to the FIS Rules via FIS Online registration system. The OC offers accommodation (full board included) in 3\* hotels (2\* and 4\* on request) in Val di Fiemme from 3 to 15 km from the Cross-Country Stadium.

#### PRICES

- 3\* Hotel max CHF 125 per person in double room
- 2\* Hotel max CHF 90 per person in double room.

Additional information about the accommodation will be given to the teams after receiving preliminary entry and accommodation request.







### ACCREDITATION

The accreditation for teams/staff/technicians/officials/coaches/SRS must be requested, like in the past season, trough the **FIS online system**.

According to the FIS Covid-19 Prevention Protocol Guideline all accreditations will be released only as soon as the OC receives a negative Covid-19 test of all participants.

#### **TEST: WHEN & WHERE**

A Covid-19 test (rapid antigen test) must be done by all athletes, team staff, officials, SRS at the main entrance of the Team Area (Frade) at the Cross-Country Stadium in Lago di Tesero. The test can be done on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, starting from the afternoon, or on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021, starting from 7:00 a.m. according to the time schedule decided with FIS.

The laboratory which is in charge for the testing (Centro Medico Fiemme) will offer the testing service (only antigen test available) also on Friday 8<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>, according to the following timing: from 9.00 to 11.00 and from 15.00 to 17.00. If you need a PCR test before leaving Val di Fiemme, there are two private laboratories that can do this kind of test, but you have to book it in advance:

#### **DOLOMITEN TRAUMA CLINIC**

Località Piera 2, 38038 Tesero (TN) www.dolomitentraumaclinic.com Tel. + 39 0462 888014 info@dolomitentraumaclinic.com PCR test cost € 160 PP CENTRO MEDICO FIEMME Via Monte Mulat 17/a, 38037 Predazzo (TN) www.centromedicofiemme.com Tel. +39 0462 502533 centromedicofiemme@yahoo.it PCR test cost € 250 PP

PLEASE contact the OC with adequate notice in order to communicate your arrival time and let the OC know when you can be in Val di Fiemme to do the test, so that we can prepare a proper time schedule, in coordination with FIS, and avoid any kind of people gathering at the testing area. We will try to arrange the time schedule in order to give priority to the athletes. The laboratory "Centro Medico Fiemme" will ask all team members, before being tested, to fill in a form, where everybody will have to include their personal data and give to the laboratory and to the OC the authorisation to register the test results.

**Please remember that the result of the rapid test must then be uploaded individually** on the FIS Passport by all team members. Like for all other FIS competitions, please remember that you will be asked also to fill out the whereabouts and answer the health questionnaire on your FIS Passport.

In case of a positive result of the rapid test, please follow the procedures included in the specific point of this Protocol "FIS World Cup Communications flow for a Covid-19 positive test".

The positivity to the test does not allow to take part in the event, according to FIS rules. Please notice that in case of a positive result of a rapid test, a PCR test will be immediately required.





### ADDITIONAL TEST FOR PEOPLE NOT COMING DIRECTLY FROM TOBLACH

Please notice that the LOC will ask all people that will come to Val di Fiemme directly from home and not from Toblach, and who consequently have not been part of the "Tour bubble" before the stages in Val di Fiemme, to present a negative PCR test that must be not older than 48 hours before the arrival at the competition venue. This test must be uploaded on your FIS Passport before arrival. Please consider that, according to the current Italian rules, also for entering Italy you need a negative PCR test not older than 48 hours before you cross the border.

All those people will then have to do also the rapid test at the entrance of the stadium, like everybody else, in order to get the accreditation. For any problem, please just contact the LOC: <u>info@fiemmeworldcup.com</u>.

### **TEST PAYMENT & ACCREDITATION RELEASE**

Costs for testing are carried by the person or responsible group (i.e. Teams, FIS, Organiser for workforce, Stakeholders as groups and/or individual persons (i.e. journalists, etc.) The cost of the test is  $\leq$  60,00 per person, that you can pay cash or with credit card.

Once we have the negative result of all team members, one team representative can pick up the accreditations, for all team members, at the accreditation office, inside the stadium. In order to enter the stadium and get the accreditation, the team representative can show to the LOC staff present at the access control, the confirmation email that he/she got from the LOC accreditation system after receiving the negative test.

The Accreditation Office is located at the cross-country stadium in Lago di Tesero. More information about opening times of the accreditation office <u>here ></u>

Please note that due to Covid-19 restrictions and regulations, the current situation can change very quickly and therefore the OC could be obliged to do some necessary adjustments or changes in the accreditation procedure.

## **COMMUNICATIONS FLOW FOR A COVID-19 POSITIVE TEST**

Upon receipt of a positive test, the team/individual shall immediately inform the FIS contact person on site (Race/Contest Director). The Race Director will inform the FIS Event Task Force (one representative: FIS, LOC, NSA, and the LOC Health Coordinator, FIS C-19 Expert) of the situation, who will assess the next steps necessary.

No external communication may be made by the team/individual until the FIS Event Task Force has assessed the circumstances.

Once the assessment is made, official information firstly to the designated contact for the positive case to inform about the communication flow. The first external information will be made through the FIS Official Communication system. It will not contain names of individuals involved, or details. It is meant strictly to inform that a person has tested positive and any necessary next steps involved.

Should timing be appropriate, and all parties agree, the information can also be communicated by the FIS Race Director at the Team Captains Meeting to facilitate additional communication to the key stakeholder group, namely the athletes. Following any announcement at the TCM, the FIS Official Communication will still be sent and if cleared information about the person involved if this is cleared.





At this time, the teams/individuals may also put the information to the media with more detail about the positive case, if desired.

Following the Official Communication, FIS will only answer media inquiries that pertain directly the competition and any impact on the calendar. All health and team-related questions will be referred to the team/individual/group involved.

Please note these guidelines refer only to the external communication of a positive test. Informing the local authorities should follow the government guidelines in place at the time and the region.

### **WAXING CABINS**

Waxing cabins at the Cross-Country Stadium in Lago di Tesero will be available from 8:00 a.m. of Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

For entering the athletes' zone (Frade) every person must exhibit the local accreditation.

In order to get the accreditation **all teams/staff/technicians/officials/coaches/SRS have to do the Covid-19 test, whose result must be negative** (for any information regarding the accreditation procedure, please see the specific point).

Please consider that also the drivers of the waxing trucks will have to follow the same procedure as the team staff, that means that they have to do a Covid-19 test, whose result must be negative.

# Teams are responsible for a daily cleaning of their cabin. The LOC will supply every cabin with proper cleaning tools.

More information about the team area (opening times, key distribution, parking cards, information for waxing trucks, etc.) at the <u>following link ></u>

## **TEAM HOSPITALITY**

From Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> all people inside the team area will have a catering service at their disposal, free of charge, inside the building with the changing rooms near the info point.

# The catering will be arranged as a take-away service according to the national current rules referred to food and beverage distribution.

Everybody has to consume food and beverage exclusively inside their own changing room. It is recommended that each team delegates a maximum of 2 people to collect the "lunch bags", to avoid any form of gathering. The daily buffet will be served according to the regional regulations in force regarding catering and will offer only single-serving products / portions. More information about team catering, opening times and daily buffet at <u>this link ></u>

## **RACE OFFICE AND TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING**

In order to avoid any kind of people gathering, the **Team Captains Meetings** will be held as **online** meetings.

Information about **Race Office opening times <u>here ></u>** 





Finally, the OC Fiemme World Cup warmly recommends to everyone to act in a responsible way and to follow strictly all measures and recommendations included in this protocol. For your own safety and the safety of other people it is necessary to follow the instructions given by the OC staff/volunteers and the Covid-19 signage inside the competition venues.

The OC reserves the right to withdraw the accreditation to all those people who should not comply with the rules included in the present Protocol.

This protocol has been defined according to the regulations **updated on December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020**. The OC reserves the right to make any necessary change if some new rules, regarding Covid-19, will be released by the national or local authorities.





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