

EWF Youth & U15 Championships

10th – 18th August 2022

Living with COVID

It is important to prepare medical clearance protocols for the EWF Youth & U15 Championships 2022 in Raszyn, Poland. By implementing IWF protocols, the EWF aims at reducing the risk of SARS – Cov-2 transmission at EWF events as much as possible. It is important to remember that a certain degree of risk will always remain, as transmission risk cannot be fully eliminated.

For the protocols to be effective it is fundamental that all participants comply and respect the local government public health recommendations and the EWF protocols for the entire duration of their stay in the host country. In agreement with the organisers, it has been decided to implement this set of procedures from the IWF protocols at the EWF European Youth & U15 Championships.

All persons involved with the EWF Championships must comply with the protocols of the EWF COVID -19 protection. These guidelines will be amended for each EWF competition or event. Any breach of these procedures may result in the removal of accreditation and cancelling the participation to the competition or event.

Key Points:

- **NO COVID Testing will take place at arrival in hotel before accreditation.**
- Wearing an FFP-2 mask covering the mouth and nose is mandatory in the competition field of play, weigh in and training hall, except for:
Official photographs and interviews.
Athletes only who are training, warming up or competing on the platform
- Masks should be disposed of on a regular basis according to its characteristics
- Hand sanitise at the stations before entering rooms
- Wash your hands regularly
- Social Distancing of 1.5 meters when possible
- Ventilate your bedroom by opening the window
- If you feel unwell or have COVID symptoms, contact your COVID Liaison Officer or the EWF COVID Officer

Federation COVID Liaison Officer (CLO)

Each member federation participating in the EWF Youth & U15 Championships, 2022 must appoint a Team COVID-19 Liaison Officer (CLO). This must be entered on entry system including the full name, mobile phone number and email address of the CLO. This must also be confirmed at accreditation.

The CLO responsibilities:

- Ensure all team members are fully informed of the contents of and comply with the EWF Health and Safety (COVID-19) Protocols
- Complete all documents if requested by the Poland government for immigration and COVID Protocols
- Ensure all team members implement the host government and EWF requirements prior to departure from home country
- Support the Host Federation and EWF COVID teams in case of a positive case, to identify people who have been in close contact and to assist in contacting them.
- Be the main point of contact for all COVID protocol matters and ensure all team members adheres to all protocols.
- Confirm and book RAPID or PCR Tests if required before returning to home country
- Remain on site or confirm who the dedicated person if an athlete (especially if under 18 years) is (or) tested positive and must undergo isolation or medical treatment (including hospitalisation or quarantine)

Stage 1 Before Travelling

Prepare all documentation including medical, travel insurance and vaccination certification

It is the responsibility of the federation to meet the entry requirements to Poland.

All federations attending the EWF Youth & U15 Championships in Poland should continue to follow local guidance. Full information on COVID-19 measures in Poland can be found at the following pages:

[Official Government COVID-19 website](#) (Polish)

[Official Government COVID-19 website](#) (English)

Before travelling the EWF **strongly recommends** that you obtain comprehensive travel insurance. Also check and confirm all entry requirements to Poland for your country

Stage 2 Transportation and Arrival at Hotel

Wearing of facemasks is recommended on all transportation during the competition. Upon arrival at the hotel the participants are brought to the Accreditation centre.

According to the updated testing process recommended by the IWF Medical Committee May 2022.

You may be asked to show vaccination evidence if you are vaccinated, however if you are fully vaccinated you still may be asked to be tested if you are feeling unwell or showing signs of COVID.

All costs related to the tests are to be borne by the participant and/or their Member Federation. This system will remain in place for the duration of the competition.

Persons will be informed about the tests results only in case of positivity or inconclusive results, in which case a new RAPID test or a PCR test will be required.

If the RAPID test is negative, they can go out of the room and start training

If the RAPID test is positive this person will go into quarantine awaiting the definite report of the new PCR-test (see positive report protocol below) (If they room share another person (s) will isolate and take PCR-test)

In the very unlikely event of a positive antigen test and a negative PCR test, quarantine will be lifted, and this person can return with (to their) the team

RAPID Test Fee and PCR Test Fee: To be confirmed by host federation

The following scenario will guide all decisions regarding a suspected COVID-19-positive case during the event:

- Anyone being positive after the RAPID test or detecting any of the symptoms must stay in their room and inform their COVID-19 Team Leader
- Then the COVID-19 Team Leader must inform the OC Covid-officer and the EWF Covid-19 Officer
- The infected person will be isolated in quarantine.
- Contact tracing will immediately commence
- All close contacts may be isolated and tested (PCR) as soon as possible.
- In the case of a positive result for an individual without any or with mild symptoms, they will be quarantined in their hotel room (or otherwise as indicated by the local authorities) with all meals delivered and their health condition monitored.

Failure to report symptoms will also result in disciplinary action

Stage 3 Competition

IWF COVID Protocols will apply and include:

- Wearing an FFP-2 mask covering the mouth and nose in the competition field of play and training except for:
Official photographs and interviews.
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Stage 4 Departure from Poland PCR Test

If required by a federation a RAPID test or a PCR test must be booked on arrival at the accreditation / Room allocation. Confirm your return flight date and time. Printed certificates will be available at the at the accreditation office

Fees: RAPID Test and PCR Test. To be confirmed