

Covid Protocol of the competition - General rules

Organizer of the event will put in place the Covid protocol approved from the Finnish Figure Skating Association and the Doctor responsible for infectious diseases in Turku.

The objectives of this protocol are:

- reduce the risk of contagion from Covid-19
- prevent the transmission of the disease
- efficiently track people who have had close contact with the virus
- ensure the separate management of Athletes, Coaches, Journalists/TV, Member of the Staff, Judges, ISU Event Officials with respect to the workforce, the public and volunteers inside the ice rink.

Before entering the ice rink, all accredited persons must take the following measures:

- disinfect hands
- Masks will remain mandatory and must be worn inside the official Event locations (Ice Rink, Transportation, Hotel). This will apply even if the Host Country does not have these restrictions in place.
- Social distance must apply wherever possible
- in case of symptoms of illness, access will not be allowed.

Inside the Ice Rink all accredited persons must take the following measures:

- use of face masks (except for athletes during training and competition and for the judges when they are seated on their station)
- frequent disinfection of the hands
- keep the distance and avoid any kind of gathering
- use only the marked routes and directions to avoid contacts with other teams.

Signs will be placed inside the ice rink to indicate the routes and areas where each accredited person can stay.

Vaccination Certificates:

ISU Members, ISU Event Officials, ISU Support Staff should send a copy of their vaccination certificate to the OC mlt@stll.fi (English translation required) 2 weeks prior to Accreditation (January 7th). One email per team please.

Covid test before the competition:

Athletes, Coaches, Journalists/TV, Member of the Teams, Judges, ISU Event Officials who do not have a Green Pass/EU Covid Digital Certificate or EMA approved vaccine must show a negative PCR test result performed no more than 72 hours before the accreditation. OC will organize an antigen (rapid) Covid test before the accreditation.

NO Covid test result is required for Athletes, Coaches, Journalists/TV, Member of the Staff, Judges, ISU Event Officials who have Green Pass/EU Covid Digital Certificate or EMA approved vaccine.

There might be the possibility that Rapid test is needed also from fully vaccinated participants if the pandemic situation it requires.

Covid test during the competition:

Athletes, Coaches, Journalists, Member of the OC Staff, Judges, ISU Event Officials who do not have a Green Pass/EU Covid Digital Certificate or EMA approved vaccine will have to undergo a Covid screening test antigen (rapid) every morning before entering the ice rink. The organizing committee will organize the COVID test in the official hotel Original Sokos Hotel Kupittaa.

In case of positive results during the screening test the positive suspect is placed in isolation, OC will proceed with the contact tracing and organize a PCR test. Pending the PCR result, the positive suspect must be isolated.

In the event of a positive PCR test result, the accredited person is invited to leave the event site as soon as possible by his own means, or will be taken back to his hotel at his own expense by suitable means of transport. If one or both of the aforementioned circumstances are not possible, the positive person will spend the period of isolation as provided by the Italian health authorities, at his own expense, in a suitable place identified by the organization.

The costs of all the Covid tests will be charged to the participants.
The cost for each antigen (rapid) Covid test is Euro 10,00.

NO Covid test during the event is required for Athletes, Coaches, Journalists, Member of the OC Staff, Judges, ISU Event Officials who have a Green Pass/EU Covid Digital Certificate or EMA approved vaccine.

There might be the possibility that Rapid test is needed on daily basis also from fully vaccinated participants if the pandemic situation it requires.

Testing for homebound trip

Team Members, Chaperones, ISU Event Officials, Judges, ISU Support staff may need Covid-19 tests for departure/travel purposes. Team Members have to cover those costs themselves and these must be paid directly to the service provider.