



MEDICAL CLEARANCE PROTOCOL



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This document presents the medical clearance protocol designed for the purpose of the World Athletics U20 Championship CALI 2022. These rules have been developed based on the characteristics of the event and its specific risk. This protocol does not aim at reducing the risk of SARS-CoV-2 transmission or infection. This remains the individual's sole responsibility by implementing preventive measures that are recommended in this protocol and by public health institutions. The objective of this protocol is to ensure that all participants comply with national regulations and that a consistent approach applies to those categories of participants that will be in close contact throughout the event, regardless of the country of provenance (e.g. teams, staff, media, broadcast etc.). It is important to remember that despite the governments lifting of restrictions and rules, the pandemic it's not over and a certain degree of risk will always remain, as transmission risk can be minimized but cannot be fully eliminated. It is fundamental that participants comply to these rules and respect general public health recommendations for the entire duration of their stay in the hosting country. Health and safety can only be ensured if all contribute to their care.

The sanitary procedures described in this document, are subject to change according to the local and global COVID-19 pandemic situation.

1. General rules and principles

All individuals taking part to World Athletics U20 Championship CALI 2022 must comply with this protocol which is based on the [World Athletics Covid-19 Protection Procedures](#) that can be found on the World Athletics website. Any breach of these procedures may result in voiding the accreditation and cancelling the participation to the events.

To be able to host sport events during the actual pandemic situation, World Athletics, in agreement with the organizers and the local government, have decided to design and implement this set of procedures.

To enter Colombia and participate in the World Athletics U20 Championship CALI 2022 it is mandatory to have been fully vaccinated (2 shots) against COVID-19. Vaccines approved by the Colombian authorities are those approved by the World Health Organization (WHO)(<https://covid-19pharmacovigilance.paho.org/>):

- Pfizer BioNTech,
- Oxford Astra-Zeneca,
- Moderna,
- Johnson & Johnson (Janssen),
- Sinovac,
- Sinopharm,
- Anhui Zhifei Longcom,
- CanSino,
- Bharat Biotech,
- Novavax,
- Abdala,
- Soberana 2,
- Sputnik V,

- EpiVacCorona.

Participants are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks (14 days) after your dose of an accepted single-dose vaccine
- 2 weeks (14 days) after your second dose of an accepted 2-dose series
- 2 weeks (14 days) after you received the full series of an accepted COVID-19 vaccine (not placebo) in a clinical trial
- 2 weeks (14 days) after you received 2 doses of any “mix-and-match” combination of accepted COVID-19 vaccines administered at least 17 days apart

Participants with a COVID-19 vaccination certificate must demonstrate that they were fully vaccinated with any of the above-mentioned vaccines at least 14 days before arrival.

A person who has received only one dose of an accepted 2-dose series and has recovered from COVID-19 does not meet this definition, and therefore is NOT considered fully vaccinated.

Wearing a mask covering the nose and mouth is strongly recommended in all indoor official areas, except for these two situations:

- While consuming food or beverages.
- For athletes only: in training areas, in the warm-up area before taking part to the competition and once on the racecourse.

The use of disposable FFP-2 or KN95 type masks is strongly recommended while travelling. Masks should be disposed on a regular basis according to the type of mask.

Any interaction, which constitute a significant risk of virus transmission, with an individual who is not accredited or directly involved in the organization of the event, is prohibited at all times.

2. Medical Clearance Protocol

All International accredited categories taking part to the World Athletics U20 Championship CALI 2022 must comply with the Medical Clearance Protocol.

National media involved in the World Athletics U20 Championship CALI 2022 must comply with the rules described in the specific section.

2.1 Before travelling (international media)

Before the event, all international participants will receive an email, to their personal e-mail address, with a link to provide the following information:

- Upload the vaccination certificate and provide information on date of last vaccination shot and type.
- Upload the result of a negative SARS-CoV-2 naso/oropharyngeal swab test in English, (RT-PCR or rapid antigen test, **performed in the 24 hours prior to departure**. The cost of this test is under the individual's responsibility.
- Confirm the need for a SARS-CoV-2 test, and what type of test, to travel back home
- Online COVID-19 symptoms self-report form
- Online medical information release agreement

Participants are strongly encouraged to check with their own Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the travelling airline company, if the rules for entering Colombia have changed or if specific conditions apply when travelling from their own country.

If there is any issue, participants will be contacted by the World Athletics Health & Science Team to the personal email address provided.

Everyone must comply with travel regulations in force at the time of the journey and must have enough masks and hand sanitizers for the entire journey duration. The purchase of personal protective equipment for travelling purpose is under the responsibility of each subject.

3. Before arriving in Cali/collecting the accreditation (national media and national broadcast service providers)

Before the event, national media and national broadcast service providers, will receive an email, to their personal e-mail address, with a link to provide the following information:

- Upload the vaccination certificate and provide information on date of last vaccination shot and type
- Upload the result of a negative SARS-CoV-2 naso/oropharyngeal swab test in English, RT-PCR or rapid antigen test, **performed in the 24 hours prior to arrival at the competition venue or collecting their accreditation badge**. The cost of this test is under the individual's responsibility
- Confirm the need for a SARS-CoV-2 test, and what type of test, to leave Colombia
- Online COVID-19 symptoms self-report form
- Online medical information release agreement

National media and national broadcast service providers, will also have the possibility to show the vaccination certificate and negative test result in paper format, when collecting the accreditation badge.

4. Leaving Colombia

Participants who need a negative RT-PCR or rapid antigen test to re-enter their home country, must inform World Athletics through the Health and Safety platform.

World Athletics and the LOC will provide the details of a local laboratory where participants needing a pre-travel test can refer to. Participants are encouraged to book their test through the laboratory, according to their departure schedule. The time of the test and booking are uniquely the participant's responsibility. Tests results and travelling certificates will be provided by the laboratory.

All COVID-19 positive cases occurring within ten days following the end of the event should be notified to the World Athletics Medical Delegate. This information will be dealt confidentially and will be used only for both epidemiological and contact tracing purposes.

5. COVID-19 positive tests results management while in Colombia

In case of COVID-19 symptoms or suspect of infection, participants must perform a confirmatory test (either RT-PCR or rapid antigen test). The cost of the test to detect SARS-CoV-2 (RT-PCR or rapid antigen) onsite, must be covered by the individual or the sending organization. This also includes costs related to confirmatory RT-PCR test (if needed). Positive results must be notified to World Athletics Medical Delegate and LOC Medical Director.

World Athletics and the LOC will provide the details of a local laboratory where participants needing a test can refer to.

In case of COVID-19 positive test result during the stay in Colombia the person will be isolated in dedicated rooms on restricted access floors, in the same hotel. The person must avoid any contact with others.

According to the Colombian Public Health Authority, a person who is tested positive for COVID-19 while staying in Colombia, has to be isolated for a period of at least 5 days. Isolation ends after 5 full days, if fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and symptoms are improving. If asymptomatic, isolation ends after at least 5 full days after the positive test. If significantly symptomatic, isolation should last at least 10 days. Regardless of the duration of isolation, it is recommended to take further precautions until day 10 from testing positive. These precautions include, wearing a mask for 10 full days when around others, avoiding places where wearing a mask it is not possible, avoiding travel until a full 10 days after the symptoms started or the date of the positive test was taken if asymptomatic.

If the isolation takes place during the event, the costs for the accommodation will be covered by the LOC. If the isolation is extended beyond the duration of the competition, the costs for

the extended staying due to isolation are to be covered by the participants or the sending organization.

All subjects who had prolonged and close contact with an infected person (e.g. roommate, contact without mask and/or no respect of social distancing) must get tested at least 5 days after the last close contact with a positive subject. Close contacts must watch for symptoms until 10 days after the last contact with a positive subject. Close contacts are strongly recommended to wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time they are around others, avoiding places where wearing a mask it is not possible. Determination of the “contact persons” will be done by both the Local Sanitary Authorities and the World Athletics Medical Delegate, based on the information provided by the positive case.

Roommates (if any) will stay in the same room after this has been properly sanitized. The negative roommate of a positive contact will not share the room with anyone else for the duration of stay.

6. Financial liability

The Medical Clearance Protocol is under the full responsibility of participant's or sending organization.

The RT-PCR or rapid antigen tests to confirm a diagnosis or to leave the Colombia (if needed) are performed by a local laboratory. World Athletics and the LOC decline any responsibility and will not be involved in the process. The laboratory indicated by World Athletics and the LOC will have a sample collection facility close to the athletes' village. Costs for these tests must be covered by the participant or sending organization. The test cost is approximately 35USD for a rapid antigen test and 95 USD for a RT-PCR per test and this must be paid on site by card, before performing the test.

7. Data Protection

The personal information provided to World Athletics and the LOC in accordance with this protocol will be held and managed in accordance with the Medical Clearance Protocol Privacy Policy and/or Event Management System Privacy Policy. These privacy policies are available to participants at the time of registering on the accreditation system and on World Athletics website in the Health and Science Library section.