

FIS Covid-19 Prevention Guidelines



Cross-Country Field Of Play

FIS Cross-Country World Cup New Normal – Discipline specific information

Only additional information/inputs to the existing guidelines (updated winter version):

https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1599638332/fis-prod/assets/FIS_COVID_19_Prevention_Guidelines_v2_09092020.pdf

<https://www.fis-ski.com/inside-fis/covid-19-hub>

GENERAL:

- Practicing social distancing (where not possible you have to wear a mask)
- Masks are strongly recommended for everybody in the start and finish area as well as in feeding zones at competition times
- Hand sanitizer should be available in all areas
- Any kind of gatherings should be avoided
- Minimizing number of people in the accredited zones
- Follow local regulations

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COMPETITION AREA

- Minimize the number of volunteers and other staff on the field of play
- Filming by rights-holders (with social distance) in restricted areas like Start/Finish/Team area need to be approved by HBC and FIS.
- Public: in case of public, a fencing plan has to be set in order to guarantee a social distance
- Photographers: the photographers zone need to be accessible without any interaction with the team officials.
- Access & control: to reduce the traffic and interactions at the competition venue strict control by the LOC is required.

START AREA

- Team boxes could be considered
- Wider and/or one-way corridors
- Transponders: Transponder pick up from a table by the athletes themselves, no active service by the LOC
- Bins needs to be available at the start for athletes

FINISH AREA

- Transponder bin in the finish available, no service by LOC
- Finish tent has to be set up with free air circulation (*will be checked with the teams if that is needed*)
- Leader chair has to be set up with taking the social distancing rules into consideration
- Exit corridor: the competitors have to be protected from the audience, from the exit of mixed zone to the team area
- Top 3 picture will be held in the finish area with guaranteeing the social distance
- Flash interview will be organized as well in respect of the social distancing

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SERVICE AREA

- Strict access control especially if it's outside of the competition venue and in case public is allowed
- Waxing cabins have to be 'hand over' clean and disinfected
- No cleaning during the event but cleaning and disinfection tools need to be available.
- Hand washing possibilities and hand sanitizer need to be available
- Interview zone for media might be established in case needed (social distancing needs to be guaranteed)
- In case a team agrees with a rights holder for an interview or filming footage (at times where not many people are in the service area), please contact FIS Media Coordinator for organizing the access. At all times the social distancing needs to be granted.
- Teams are responsible for a daily cleaning of their cabin. A garbage drop-off point will be organised where the teams will have to leave all their garbage every day.
- Team Hospitality: service according to the local regulations will be provided. In some cases, only lunch packages will be available.

BIBS

- No warm up bibs will be used
- Bibs: will be distributed in the morning at the race office
- National group bibs need to be brought by the respective team freshly washed to the next venue (only Cross-Country)

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TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING

- Team Captain: The Team captains meeting will be held under new protocol in order to avoid people interactions and limit the circulation flows.
- The room is exclusively accessible by the Jury of competition, the LOC manager, the representative of local authorities, the Medical and Covid manager, the race secretary, FIS staff, Swiss Timing, max. 2 representative per Nation of competitors, the host broadcaster and the TV right holder. Medias, guests and other staff are not allowed to come in.
- The room is organized with dedicated seats fulfilling an appropriate social distancing.
- In case no gathering is possible due to the local situation, an online meeting will be held

FACILITIES

- Separated FIS, Jury room and LOC office
- Access control to competition management building/facilities
- Masks strongly recommended indoors
- Daily room cleaning (ideally after the working hours of the competition management)
- Provide bins and alcohol-based surface cleaner
- All the rooms have to be equipped with hand sanitisers
- Warm and cold drinks should be made available
- Possibility to make own lunch package at the breakfast to avoid food service during the day

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ANTI-DOPING FACILITIES

- Make sure enough space is available in the waiting area to keep the minimum distance for all athletes + one team staff

CEREMONIES

- Podium: podium will be organized in the finish area (detailed protocol in preparation)
- Minimizing involved people by the LOC
- No other official ceremony will be organized

HOTELS:

- Follow the event guideline
- A control of the measurements in the hotel is done by the hotel staff and Covid-19 OC Manager. The team leader can alert the Hotel staff and LOC accommodation service if one of these measures is not in place and exposes seriously his/her team members to a potential contamination

MEDIA FACILITIES & MEDIA SERVICE:

- Media centre: by the local authorities and controlled by the local media service
- Sub Media centre: like the media centre.
- Mixed zone and interviews: to be defined with the TV right holder
- Press conferences: virtual press conference, or combination of Virtual/physical meeting, to be defined case by case.



The health and safety of all participants at FIS Events including the athletes, team members, officials, volunteers, service providers, broadcasters, media and spectators has the highest priority. The organisers and medical services are sincerely thanked for their engagement to enable the safe organisation of FIS competitions
