

Annex 3 – How to deal with persons with a previously diagnosed C-19 infection?

Return to Competition Policy/Individual Review – Responsibility by LOC C-19 Health Coordinator

The LOC shall be prepared to be faced with requests on how to deal with previously with C-19 infected individuals.

It will be necessary to include this (as well as the definition of “contact persons”) in the discussion with the Local Health Authority prior to the event.

It is strongly recommended to have such policies (at least internal policies for individual case reviews) in place well before the event to be able to give clear information, decide quickly and to be supportive to participants as best as possible.

The main issue seen recently by scientific studies is that previously infected persons have a large chance of producing another positive PCR result still within weeks after having completed the isolation period and being symptom-free, (Reference is made e.g. to the german-based “Robert-Koch Institut” www.rki.de). Such a situation would cause an obvious and significant disadvantage for this individual.

Layer 1 – National rules of C-19 positive results

Should an individual test positive for Covid-19, the individual needs in first instance to follow the national rules that apply. (in most cases this is immediate isolation for a specified period of time; in some cases this also includes follow up testing after a specified time etc).

FIS has no authority to interfere with nationally applied quarantine rules (also when it comes to “contact persons”).

Layer 2 – Reporting of C-19 positive results to FIS Passport

The individual is kindly asked to report a positive result immediately also to the FIS Passport so follow-up actions can be implemented. (e.g. result after having left from a recent FIS event; as well as for future event participation review).

Layer 3 – Return to Competition & Individual Review by LOC C-19 Health Coordinator

After the individual has completed isolation/quarantine, the individual must consult the LOC C-19 testing protocol and requirements for participation.

Scenario 1 – the LOC has a **general policy for return to competition** in place, e.g. has identified that every person who can show proof of a previous positive C-19 infection between 3 months and 2 weeks prior to arrival, as well as at least 3 days symptoms-free, will be allowed to participate (without another PCR test).

Scenario 2 - the LOC accepts a **serological test for antibodies** (Abott or Roche), then this should be the preferred option to undergo this testing (BUT: not all individuals might have developed antibodies).

Scenario 3 – the LOC does not have a general policy for return to competition in place OR does not accept a serological test (antibodies), the individual shall have the opportunity to ask for an **individual review by the LOC C-19 Health Coordinator** of her/his status for participation.