

Covid-19 Communications Guidelines

Communication flow due to Covid-19 positive test

Should an individual directly involved with any FIS World Cup competition test positive for Covid-19, the following procedures should be followed to allow for a clear communication flow.

These procedures involve all stakeholders associated with the World Cup competitions. The servicemen, LOCs, rights holders, etc. should follow these procedures.

Upon receipt of a positive test, the team/individual shall immediately inform the FIS personnel on site (in most cases the Race Director). The Race Director will inform the FIS Event Task Force of the situation, who will assess the next necessary steps.

At this time, no external communication should be made by the team/individual until the FIS Event Task Force can assess the situation.

Once the assessment is made, official information will be communicated via the FIS Official Communication system for the given discipline. The Official Communication will not contain names of individuals involved, or details. It is meant strictly to inform that a person has tested positive and any necessary next steps involved.

Should timing permit and all parties agree, the information can be communicated by the FIS Race Director at the Team Captains Meeting to facilitate faster communication. Following any announcement at a TCM, the Official Communication will still be sent.

At this time, the teams/individuals may also put out information to the media with more detail about the positive case, if desired.

Following the Official Communication, FIS will only answer media inquiries that pertain directly to the competition and any impact on the calendar. All health and team-related questions will be referred to the teams/individuals involved.

Please note these guidelines refer only to the external communication of a positive test. Informing the local authorities should follow the government guidelines in place at the time and in the region.

Communication flow due of change to the calendar due to Covid-19

Should there be a change to the calendar due to Covid-19 (cancellation, change of date, change of venue, etc.) this will be communicated via the FIS Official Communication system for the given discipline once the change has been confirmed by the FIS Race Director.

Local Organising Committees, National Ski Associations and any other involved stakeholders should not make any public statements about any calendar changes until the FIS Official Communication has been sent.

