



# **GAZPROM 2021 EUROPEAN TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## **HYGIENIC GUIDELINES FOR THE ETTU STAFF, ETTU OFFICIALS AND MATCH OFFICIALS**



# BEFORE THE EVENT

- 24.09.2021. - Mandatory day of arrival for the ETTU Competition Manager
- 25.-26.09.2021. - Mandatory day of arrival for the: Referee, ETTU staff
- 26.09.2021. – Mandatory arrival day for the: Deputy referee’s, umpires
- starting with 26.09.2021 Arrival day(s) for the: ETTU officials, ETTU EB members,
- All participants should be tested negative for COVID-19 on PCR test within 72/48 hours before entering the country and send test result to the ETTU Competition Manager ([competition@ettu.org](mailto:competition@ettu.org)) and [covid19ec2021@frtmromania.ro](mailto:covid19ec2021@frtmromania.ro)
- We kindly ask the referee team and umpires to bring invoices from the testing to the organizers. They will reimburse the cost up to 100€.
- All officials are encouraged to be careful at least 14 days before travelling to the competition to not meet too many people, not to visit crowded places, to keep safety distance, wear face masks where necessary, to regularly disinfect and wash hands etc.



# UPPON ARRIVAL

- All officials (even the ones vaccinated in their country) will undertake an Antigenic test at the venue BT ARENA before accreditation.

## Procedure if someone will be tested positive on the Antigenic testing:

- The LOC will only contact officials in case of a positive Antigenic COVID-19 test. Officials shall receive no official information after the negative results.
- If one person is tested positive at antigenic test, a PCR-based Corona test will follow immediately. In case the person being tested positive at the quick test was in contact before with other persons then a PCR-based Corona test will be made for the persons who arrived with same transport.
- The result of this test is available within 24 hours. These tests are on the organizer cost .
- If the PCR test reconfirms a participant positive, then the Romanian country's rule will apply ([http://mae.ro/travel conditions](http://mae.ro/travel-conditions) )
- In case an official is taken out of event by decision of the host country's health authorities due to positive Covid test(s), costs at the quarantine will be covered by the NA.



# AT THE HOTEL

- Face masks should be worn at all times at the hotel (except during eating), as well as during transits.
- It is prohibited to leave the hotel for any reason. Depend to the COVID 19 situation in Cluj at the competition date.
- All shuttle buses are allowed to operate with 50 - 60 % of capacity. In case the bus is reaching its capacity, the participant is not allowed to board and should wait for the available next bus
- Meals shall be served at the hotel, in special designated areas only for the officials. These areas will be separated from the other food areas used for the public.
- To avoid the spread of infection (if any), officials should maintain the 1.5 meters distance all the time.
- Procedure if any symptoms are experienced at any time and if the body temperature is above 37.5 degrees:
  - Organizers will provide emergency Covid phone number
  - Medical staff will be sent to make a Covid test
  - Participants with symptoms of a respiratory infection will be refused entry to the competition and entry will be only granted again after negative result of a further antigenic or PCR test.

# AT THE VENUE

- LOC shall ensure proper floor markings are placed to maintain distance of 1,5 m between people in the case of queue formation at the entrance of the venue.
- Availability of handwashing amenities with soap and water, non-contact air hand dryers or paper towels in toilets shall be guaranteed.
- It is strictly prohibited to leave the venue for any reason without prior approval by ETTU officials. Officials leaving the bubble area in the venue will be excluded from the event. The marked surroundings of the venue are considered as an inclusive part of the bubble area.
- Face masks should be used at all times except for players during practice and competition.
- At the venue using of showers is forbidden.
- If any symptoms are experienced at any time and if your temperature is above 37.5 degrees, please inform the Competition Manager or the responsible ETTU official immediately to seek the appropriate medical attention. Participants with symptoms of a respiratory infection will be transferred to a hotel room in a special vehicle. Entry to the competition will be only granted again after the negative result of a further antigenic or PCR test.
- Physical distancing of 1.5 meters should be maintained between all individuals at all the time.
- If the official is not on duty, it is strongly recommended not to stay at the venue and go back to the hotel room. If there will be not enough time to go to the hotel and back, officials will stay in the specially designated area for them on the tribunes.



# BEFORE THE MATCH

- Tables in call area must be spaced at a minimum distance of 2m.
- At the call area players, coaches and officials must wear masks
- Players must sanitize their hands before selecting the balls.
- At the call area, players must always ensure that they maintain a safe social distance of minimum 1,5m between match officials and other participants.
- In the event that an umpire has to choose the balls on behalf of the players, the umpire shall sanitize its hands before and after the selection process.



## AT THE FoP (during the match)

- For match in procedures, Umpires will always enter the FoP before players.
- Coin toss to be done by umpire in front of the umpires table and with players remaining on their sides while maintaining a social distance of at least 1,5 m.
- During match presentation procedures, umpires and players must still maintain an appropriate social distance of at least 1,5 m
- Umpires and players shall not shake hands.
- All matches will be played with one ball. Multi balls system will not be implemented.
- Players are not allowed to use their own towels to wipe the match table. Players shall indicate to Umpires if the match table needs cleaning. A designated person (umpires) will be asked to clean the table.
- No breathing on the ball.
- No hand wiping on table surface.
- Spitting should be avoided in the FoP.
- Umpires will disinfect / clean table after each game, and after each individual match
- Towel boxes of each team will be on the side of their bench



# END OF THE MATCH

- Umpires and players shall not shake hands.
- Players and umpires should leave the venue and return to the hotel as soon as all match procedures are over, or players can stay in the venue in special designated seats for each association.
- Volunteers will disinfect playing table, towel boxes and team bench/chairs after team match.





# PRE-DEPARTURE PCR TESTING

- Official needing a PCR test for returning to their home country shall inform the host at the same time than confirming their delegation to the following e-mail address: [covid19ec2021@frtmromania.ro](mailto:covid19ec2021@frtmromania.ro).
- The organizer will then provide the testing on the organizer cost.



# IMPORTANT REMARKS

- All restrictions are to be strictly applied and any breach of the Guidelines will be individually investigated by a Tournament Jury. The Jury will be comprised of representatives from the LOC and ETTU.
- Participants are not allowed to leave the bubble area (Hotel, Transportation, Venue). Depend on the COVID 19 situation at the competition date.
- In all above cases whenever a participant will be tested positive the Jury will deal with the LOC and the Local Health Authorities in order to chase the contacts of the infected participant.
- In case someone is tested positive he/she will be obligated to stay in isolation in hotel room for 10 days and he/she will be considered out of the bubble. By Romanian law he/she will be released of isolation after day 10. Each Association is responsible for the full quarantine cost of their accredited persons.
- Each hotel have designated rooms for COVID positive guests.
- According to Romanian regulation, if the positive tested person was accommodated in a double room, another person from this room will be also taken under quarantine.
- Any close contacts of the person who was tested positive will be applied Romanian Covid-19 health security measures.
- Credential holders are entitled to follow the guidelines and regulations indicated on their Accreditation Passes. Entering any unauthorized areas could lead to a breach of protocol investigation



# DISCLAIMER

- The LOC and ETTU are reserving the right to change or update the COVID-19 Guidelines. In case of an update or change, participants will be officially informed in due time



Each accredited person must sign this document:

I herewith confirm having read, understood the hygienic guidelines and conditions for the Gazprom 2021 European Team Championship and with my signature I confirm acceptance:

Name of the accredited person:	
Association:	
Role at the championships:	
Date:	
Signature:	

**A signed document must be sent to the ETTU Competition Manager ([competition@ettu.org](mailto:competition@ettu.org)) latest on Wednesday, 15.09.2021.**