





COVID-19 PREVENTION PROTOCOL Tour de Ski 2022 Val di Fiemme GUIDELINES FOR TEAMS

The **outbreak of the Covid-19 Pandemic** has been affecting all our lives for almost two years, and the whole world of sport has been strongly influenced by this health worldwide emergency, that all the organisers of sport events still have to face with proper and specific rules. Because of the development of the Coronavirus infection all over the world during the year 2020 and 2021, **many Covid-19 related restrictions** established by **the OC Fiemme World Cup for last season will still remain valid for the season 2021/2022**. Even if the situation all over the world seems to go slowly better, also thanks to the vaccination campaign, we all have to be very careful and respect scrupulously all the rules, in order to organise our events in the safest way possible.

After season 2020/2021, when spectators were not allowed to take part in our events, the OC has established that **spectators and guests for the Tour de Ski 2022 will be allowed** to enter the competitions' venues, but in order to minimize the risk of infection there will be very careful controls: **only spectators with a valid Digital Green Certificate / Green pass (or an equivalent document)** will have the right to enter, according to the ordinance issued on July 29th 2021 by the Italian Ministry of Health.

The final stages of 16th Tour de Ski in Val di Fiemme will take place with all necessary safety measures.

According to the national and local rules regarding the Covid-19 protection and to FIS Covid-19 prevention guidelines, the OC has et up a specific protocol with some rules that all the stakeholders involved in our events have strictly to follow.

By sending the entries through the FIS online system, every person accepts the content of this Protocol, and also the content of all the guidelines issued by FIS in the FIS Covid-19 World Cup Risk Management and Testing Protocol, that you find here (https://assets.fis-ski.com/image/upload/v1634629708/fis-prod/assets/FIS_2021-

22_World_Cup_Risk_Management_Covid-19_Testing_Protocol.pdf).

BASICS

Individual responsibility is the most important aspect for the safety of everyone. Everybody must follow the basic hygiene measures, to prevent the spread of Covid-19 infection:

- 1. Keep the minimum distance of 1m whenever possible (like established by the Italian Ministry of Health)
- 2. Wear a mask always inside and outside
- 3. Wash and disinfect frequently your hands

Anybody who should show symptoms of Covid-19 during the event must contact immediately the OC, informing the Race Office at the following number T. +39 0462 810176.









JOURNEY TO VAL DI FIEMME

Before coming to Val di Fiemme please visit the <u>Italian Ministry website ></u> https://www.esteri.it/en/ministero/normativaonline/focus-cittadini-italiani-in-rientro-dall-estero-ecittadini-stranieri-in-italia/ to be updated regarding the travel restrictions.

Do not travel to Val di Fiemme if you have symptoms of Covid-19. During your stay in Val di Fiemme, please try to avoid any contact with other people outside the competition venue.

TRANSPORT

AIRPORT TRANSFER

Regarding the FIS TOUR DE SKI stage-to-stage transportation, the teams must have their own vehicles and are independent. There will be no transport provided by the FIS TOUR DE SKI, except the pick up at the first airport (before the first stage) and transport to the final airport (after the last stage). Teams are entitled to one transport in each direction (airport to the venue and venue to the airport) for free. For the teams that need transport from their hotels to the official airports please contact: info@fiemmeworldcup.com.

Price for additional transport, depending on destination, will be communicated on request. No shuttle service in the valley will be organised by the OC.

For the transportation service you must follow the national regulations. Inside the cars/bus you must wear a surgical mask. The surgical mask must be put on before entering the vehicle.

PASS & PARK ALPE CERMIS

To reach the finish area of the Cermis Final Climb on Tuesday 4th January, **1 minibus per nation** can get **a parking card** in order to go on Alpe Cermis and park there. The OC will allow the teams **who will need** it, to have **another pass for a second vehicle:** this further pass will be just **a drop-off card**, and it **won't allow the parking** at the finish area of Alpe Cermis.







ACCOMMODATION

Booking for accommodation will be done according to the FIS Rules via FIS Online registration system. The OC offers accommodation (full board included) in 3* hotels (2* and 4* on request) in Val di Fiemme from 3 to 15 km from the Cross-Country Stadium.

PRICES

- 3* Hotel max CHF 125 per person in double room
- 2* Hotel max CHF 90 per person in double room.

Additional information about the accommodation will be given to the teams after receiving preliminary entry and accommodation request.

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation for teams/staff/technicians/officials/coaches/SRS must be requested, like in the past seasons, through the **FIS online system**. It is also compulsory for everybody to **register on the FIS Passport, where you also have to apply for the event in Val di Fiemme**.

The FIS considers the Tour de Ski as one event. Therefore the entry testing defined in the FIS Protocol applies for all at the stage where one enters the Tour. If any team member enters the Tour in Lenzerheide or Oberstdorf, no further testing is required (unless they are neither vaccinated nor recovered). Please find the different procedures here:

- FOR PEOPLE WHO ENTER THE TOUR DE SKI IN LENZERHEIDE OR OBERSTDORF AND ARE VACCINATED OR RECOVERED FROM COVID-19

These people have to provide a negative Covid-19 RT-PCR test (saliva/swab test) carried out no more than 72 hours prior to the arrival in the first stage they attend (Lenzerheide or Oberstdorf, please refer to the local protocols), **upload it on their FIS Passport**, where they will also put all the information regarding their vaccination status, and then **no more tests will be required to them till the end of the Tour**. That means that for the Val di Fiemme stages, people that are part of this category won't need any further document or test in order to get their accreditation. Just remember to register on the FIS Passport and make the application also for Val di Fiemme, not only for Lenzerheide or Oberstdorf.

- FOR PEOPLE WHO ENTER THE TOUR DE SKI IN LENZERHEIDE OR OBERSTDORF AND ARE <u>NEITHER VACCINATED NOR RECOVERED</u> FROM COVID-19

These people, that will in any case be asked to provide an initial negative Covid-19 RT-PCR test (saliva/swab test) carried out at least 72 hours prior to their arrival in Lenzerheide or Oberstdorf (according to the local protocols), **will have to repeat the test in order to get accreditation for the other stages.** That means that for the Val di Fiemme stages, people that are part of this category will have to upload on their FIS Passport a **negative PCR test carried out no more than 72 hours before their arrival at the accreditation office in Val di Fiemme**. As our event will last only 2 days and it is the final part of the Tour, according to the FIS Testing Protocol these people won't then be asked to make any further test till the end of Tour.





FOR PEOPLE WHO APPLY ONLY FOR THE VAL DI FIEMME FINAL STAGES OF TOUR DE SKI – REGARDLESS IF THEY ARE VACCINATED OR RECOVERED

According to the FIS Covid-19 World Cup Risk Management and Testing Protocol, **people who apply only for the Val di Fiemme stages will be asked to follow the normal FIS Protocol for World Cup competitions**, that means that they will have to provide **a negative Covid-19 RT-PCR test** (saliva/swab test) carried out no more than 72 hours prior to the arrival at the accreditation office in Val di Fiemme, and then **upload it on their FIS Passport**.

<u>The above test is mandatory in any case for all people that are part of this category,</u> <u>regardless to immunity and vaccination status.</u>

Please remember that everybody will always be asked to complete the Health Questionnaire on the FIS Passport before coming to our event, and that the PCR test must be uploaded on your FIS Passport as soon as the result is available, in order to allow the LOC to have enough time to check the information.

All the information uploaded on the FIS Passport will be checked by the OC, and if everything is correct, you will get an e-mail with the confirmation of your accreditation request. When you come to the Cross-Country Stadium, you can show this confirmation e-mail to the OC access control staff. Showing this e-mail you can enter the main access of the stadium in order to reach the accreditation office and pick up your accreditation, but then, in order to have access to the Team Area and the other facilities inside the stadium, the only way is to show the accreditation.

It is strongly recommended that only one team representative comes to the accreditation office to pick up the accreditations for all team members.

The Accreditation Office is located at the cross-country stadium in Lago di Tesero. More information about opening times of the accreditation office <u>here ></u> https://www.fiemmeworldcup.com/en/tourdeski/accreditation-office.php

Together with teams' accreditation you will also get the Team parking cards that you need.

If you should need for any reason to book personally a Covid-19 test on-site (PCR or antigen), here there are the contacts of two clinics that can offer you this kind of service, booking it in advance:

CENTRO MEDICO FIEMME

Via Monte Mulat 17/a, 38037 Predazzo (TN) <u>www.centromedicofiemme.com</u> Tel. +39 0462 502533 <u>centromedicofiemme@yahoo.it</u>

DOLOMITEN TRAUMA CENTER

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Please note that due to Covid-19 restrictions and regulations, the current situation can change very quickly and therefore the OC could be obliged to do some necessary adjustments or changes in the accreditation procedure.

COVID-19 POSITIVE SAMPLE

From the FIS-Covid 19 World Cup Risk Management and Testing Protocol

A positive result will automatically be reported to the national authorities and national procedures and regulation for isolation will be applied:

Event Task Force action

- The FIS Event Task Force which consists of a representative from FIS (e.g. Race Director, Admin representative), a representative from the LOC, the NSA Covid19 Liaison Officer (of the respective NSA is applicable), if available ideally a member or manager of the FIS Covid19 support group, and the LOC Health Coordinator representing the national health authorities will be set up to instruct the persons involved of their obligations and to decide on eventual further mitigation measures. In accordance with the national authorities' procedures, this will require immediate isolation and self-quarantine and declaration of contact person during e.g. the past 72 hours (as defined locally). All persons in current contact with the positive test carrier must undertake a PCR test and isolate/self-quarantine until their result is received.
- Communication of the positive test and consequences, notably in the case of an athlete, e.g. non eligibility to compete for a defined number of day/s will be communicated in accordance with the FIS Covid-19 Communications Policy.

WAXING CABINS

Waxing cabins at the Cross-Country Stadium in Lago di Tesero will be available from 8:00 a.m. of Sunday 2nd January 2022.

For entering the athletes' zone (Frade) every person must exhibit the local accreditation.

Teams are responsible for a daily cleaning of their cabin. The LOC will supply every cabin with proper cleaning tools.

More information about the team area (opening times, key distribution, parking cards, information for waxing trucks, etc.) at the **following link > https://www.fiemmeworldcup.com/en/tourdeski/team**area.php

TEAM HOSPITALITY

From Sunday 2nd January to Tuesday 4th January 2022 all people inside the team area will have a catering service at their disposal, free of charge, inside the building with the changing rooms near the info point.

The catering will be arranged as a take-away service according to the national current rules referred to food and beverage distribution.

Everybody has to consume food and beverage exclusively inside their own changing room. It is recommended that each team delegates a maximum of 2 people to collect the "lunch bags", to avoid any form of gathering. The daily buffet will be served according to the regional regulations in force regarding





catering and will offer only single-serving products / portions. More information about team catering, opening times and daily buffet at this link > https://www.fiemmeworldcup.com/en/tourdeski/teamhospitality.php

TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING

The first **Team Captains Meeting** will be held at the TCM room at the cross country stadium (only one representative for each team is allowed to take part), all other TCM will be held as **online** meetings.

Finally, the OC Fiemme World Cup warmly recommends to everyone to act in a responsible way and to follow strictly all measures and recommendations included in this protocol. For your own safety and the safety of other people it is necessary to follow the instructions given by the OC staff/volunteers and the Covid-19 signage inside the competition venues.

The OC reserves the right to withdraw the accreditation to all those people who should not comply with the rules included in the present Protocol.

This protocol has been defined according to the regulations updated on November 10th 2021. <i>The OC reserves the right to make any necessary change if some new rules, regarding Covid-19, will be released by the national or local authorities.

