

**BWF World Junior Championships 2022,
Santander
COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR PARTICIPANTS**

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1. Current Spain COVID-19 rules

At current, many of Spain's Government's COVID-19 containment rules have been removed. This means that the tournament will be primarily run following the BWF COVID-19 guidelines 2022 (Phase 3) which is available on the BWF website:

<https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/covid-19-protocols/>

Any Spain regulations that are still in force will be stated below.

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2. Calendar of activities

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				14 Oct Practice at Practice Hall	15 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Practice at Competition Hall	16 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Practice at Competition Hall Team Managers Meeting for Team Event
17 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Team Event Starts	18 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Team Event	19 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Team Event	20 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Team Event	21 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Team Event	22 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Finals of Team Event Team Managers Meeting for Individual Events & Draw for Individual Events	23 Oct Cultural Day Practice at Competition Hall (only for participants in Individual events and not of the Team Event)
24 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events Start	25 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events	26 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events	27 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events	28 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events	29 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events	30 Oct Practice at Practice Hall Individual Events Finals

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3. Spain Entry Requirements with regards to Covid-19 measures.

All passengers arriving in Spain by air (except children under the age of 12 and passengers in international transit), regardless of the country of origin, including Spaniards returning to their home, **must have one** of these documents:

DIGITAL COVID CERTIFICATE OR EU EQUIVALENT vaccination against COVID-19 or a negative certificate of an active infection diagnostic test or a certificate of recovery after passing the disease. You can check if your certificate is valid on the following [website](#).

- COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate
 - From 1 February 2022, this will be valid from 14 days after the date of administration of the last dose of the complete vaccination schedule and will be valid up to 270 days from the date of administration of that last dose. The vaccination certificate with a complete schedule for people under 18 years of age does not have an expiration date.
 - Thereafter, in order to be valid, the vaccination certificate must reflect the administration of a booster dose. These certificates will be considered valid since the day the booster dose was administered.

Any vaccine authorised by the **European Union (European Medicines Agency, EMA)** [🔗](#) and **WHO** [🔗](#) will be accepted. Certificates with vaccines not authorised by these agencies are also acceptable, but the last dose administered must be of one of the authorised vaccines. Complete vaccination schedules are defined as those established in the **COVID-19 Vaccination Strategy in Spain** [🔗](#).

1. DIAGNOSTIC TEST

Certificate of a diagnostic test for SARSCoV2 with negative result. The following diagnostic tests shall be admissible:

- NAAT- nucleic acid amplification tests (e.g.: RT-PCR, RT-LAMP, TMA, HAD, NEAR, CRISPR, SDA), with sampling within the previous **72 hours** to departure to Spain.
- Antigen tests, with sampling within the previous **24 hours** to departure to Spain. You can consult the list of antigen tests approved by the European Commission through this [link](#) [🔗](#)

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2. A COVID-19 Recovery certificate: Recovery certificates issued **at least 11 days after the first positive NAAT or antigen tests**, and up to a **maximum of 180 days** after the date of sampling, are accepted as valid. The antigen tests accepted are those authorised by the European Commission, which can be consulted at the following [link_📄](#), and must have been performed by healthcare professionals. Passengers with a Recovery Certificate other than an EU Digital COVID Certificate or equivalent must also provide documentary proof of the diagnostic test from which the Recovery Certificate is derived

Upon arrival at the airport, health Control consists of the following:

Persons arriving in Spain by air or sea from countries that do not belong to the European Union or do not have the status of Schengen associated countries may be subject to a health check at the first point of entry, which shall include at least a temperature check, a documentary check and a visual check of their physical condition.

Temperature control

Performed using non-contact thermometers or thermal imaging cameras.

Visual evaluation

of the passenger's health status.

Documentary control

Passengers coming from non-EU countries or countries not considered as Schengen associated countries must have a COVID-19 vaccination/recovery/diagnostic test certificate.

Children under 12 years of age and passengers in international transit do not have to present a certificate.

4. Arrival dates

As per BWF regulation, teams are to arrive at least 48hours before the start of the tournament. However, practice is available 3 days before start of tournament hence please plan your arrival in time for your respective pre-tournament practice.

5. COVID-19 Testing

Pre-arrival test:

Pre-arrival test is not mandatory. However, all participants are strongly encouraged to conduct a self-administer quick antigen test on the day of boarding the plane. Should one be tested positive or have symptoms, it is advisable not to board the plane and come for the tournament.

On-arrival test

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There is no on-arrival test done for any participants.

During tournament test

There is no scheduled tournament test for during the tournament week. However, should a participant feel unwell and wants to be tested, please approach the secretariat office to be informed on where and how to conduct the test.

Additional testing for travel certificate

Participants who require a negative PCR or Antigen Test certificate to travel to their next destination, please proceed to the secretariat office to seek advice on how to get the test done. Should there be any specific test requirements or specific ISO lab certification required, please write in advance to the host for enquire. The cost of any test for travel will be borne by each participant. The cost of a PCR test ranges from 85€ to 140€ and the cost of Antigen Test is from 40€ to 65€. Kindly bring enough cash in euro for payment.

6. Protocols in the case of a positive test

In the case of a positive COVID-19 test, participants who do test positive during the Team event will have their accreditation withdrawn by BWF and will not be able to be reaccredited or gain accreditation to the Individual event for a minimum of 5 days after the positive test (day zero being the day of the positive test). Accreditation to Individual event may however be granted if the participant test negative (PCR test) before the 5 days period ends.

Positive case does not need to be quarantine according to Spanish regulation; however, it is recommended that the infected person not leave the room unnecessarily for 5 days after testing positive. Infected person should not go to the competition or practice venue. Do wear a mask if going out, avoid close contact with others, so as to not further spread the disease around.

7. Close contacts and vaccines

The BWF definition for close contacts remains unchanged and are defined as doubles partner and roommate.

The BWF protocols for close contacts are determined by vaccination status.

Vaccinated close contacts

Vaccinated participants who are deemed close contacts by BWF (doubles partner and roommate) can avoid withdrawing from the tournament if they test negative when requested to do so and if they move to a single room and undertake a daily antigen test for a minimum of 5 days at their own expense. All the costs of testing must be borne by the participants.

Unvaccinated close contacts

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Unvaccinated participants who are deemed close contacts are required to withdraw from the tournament. No isolation or further testing however will be required.

Approved vaccines

BWF follows the approved vaccine list accepted by the Spain Government.

8. Face masks

Mask is not mandatory during the tournament. However, mask is required at hospitals, pharmacies and on public transport (plane, bus, metro, taxi etc). Mask is mandatory also in the organization buses from the tournament.

9. Permitted activities during the tournament

Participants are free to walk outside the hotel to visit grocery stores, takeaway outlets and restaurants. BWF recommends that in the absence of specific premises regulations, face coverings are worn when visiting these locations. Visits to bars, nightclubs or shopping malls and sight-seeing activities (except to visit a grocery store) should be avoided.

Breaches of BWF COVID-19 Protocols policy can be found in the following link:

<https://extranet.bwfbadminton.com/docs/document-system/81/1466/1468/Section%202.5.1.%20Special%20Table%20of%20Offences%20and%20Penalties%20Relating%20to%20breaches%20of%20COVID19%20Safety%20Protocols.pdf>

10. Continued preventative advice

It is recommended that the following preventative measures are continued to be adhered to during the tournament:

- Cough and sneeze into your sleeve.
- Wash hands and / or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Recommended to wear face mask in crowded confined spaces
- To avoid places that are crowded
- To inform the medical team if feeling unwell or showing signs of COVID-19 infection

It is one's responsibility to ensure one's health and safety and also that of others around you.