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1 Introduction

With the success of the three back-to-back tournaments as part of the Asian Leg, held in Bangkok, Thailand in January 2021, which then followed with various other tournaments hosted in Europe in the first half of 2021 – we, at the BWF and together with our tournament hosts, are in consensus that the measures that we put in place have created the safest possible environment for all stakeholders involved in the tournament including players, organising committee work force, volunteers, media and technical officials to work and play in coming tournaments.

Key to creating a safe environment is the creation of a “badminton family bubble”, and this involves making it mandatory for each and everyone in this bubble to be tested at each tournament.

In addition to these guidelines the host’s local organising committee will strictly follow the advice and measures put in place by their local and national health authorities.

As the situation around COVID-19 hopefully improve as time goes by, BWF may remove some of the guidelines and/or provide dispensation to some of the described procedures. If, however the situation worsens BWF may also strengthen the guidelines and request additional requirements be put in place.

1.1 The Current Situation in France

Restrictions have been almost entirely lifted in mainland France. You must continue to apply the following barrier measures:

- Wash your hands very often or use hydro-alcoholic gel;
- Use single-use tissues, and then throw them away;
- Cough and sneeze into your arm or into a tissue;
- Do not shake hands or greet people with kisses on the cheek;
- Avoid touching your face;
- Respect social distancing: you should remain further than two metres from others;
- Wear a mask where necessary;
- Limit social contacts as much as possible;
- Air rooms for at least ten minutes, three times a day;
- Use digital tools (TousAntiCovid, available in English)

1.2 General Guidelines and Preventive Measures

Players, coaches, tournament staff and volunteers all have a joint responsibility for ensuring that their movements take place in a way that limit any potential spread of infection. It is very important that the preventive measures are closely followed in accordance with the general guidelines of the health authorities.

In order to create a safe and secure environment during the competition period, kindly ensure that you follow the basic preventative measures at all times:
- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Cough or sneeze in your sleeve
- Maintain physical distancing (at least 1 metre)
- Wear a face mask at any time except for training and matches,
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care immediately
- If you have mild respiratory symptoms seek medical advice

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1.4 Calendar – Action Plan

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1.5 Key points

- Entry requirements depending on your vaccination status, type of vaccination, categorisation of country of origin (details on page 8)
- All participants MUST download and activate the TousAntiCovid app to present your health pass (controlled at each entry in the venues) and track contact cases
- Testing plan: 2 mandatory PCR test during the tournament at your hotel + optional antigenic tests at the venue in accordance to your vaccination status and country of origin.
- Arrival must be no later than Sunday, October 24th (or Monday, October 25th at 11:00 am for the finalists of the previous tournament in Denmark)
- Team managers meeting scheduled on Monday 25th at 7:00 pm
- In case of a PCR positive test, there will be no second test and the participant will have to isolate for 10 days at the hotel at his/her own costs. The close contacts (roommate or double partner) will have to isolate for 7 days at the hotel at his/her own costs.
- In application of BWF safety protocol, if one of the doubles players tests positive for COVID-19, the pair will be withdrawn and their partner will be considered a close contact
- Catering is only available at your hotel by ordering food through the hotel or with Deliveroo, Uber Eats or Just Eat apps
- It is strictly forbidden to leave the sanitary bubble
- Travel between the training and competition sites and the hotels must be done with the organization’s vehicles (except for the participants staying at the Mercure and Radisson hotels who are allowed to go the Coubertin venue by foot). No exit is possible outside these 3 places.
- Wearing a mask is mandatory at all time except on the courts during matches or training sessions
- 7 practice courts are present in the Suchet training site, 3 warm-up courts on the competition site Coubertin venue
- Accommodation must be in an official hotel chosen by the host organizer
- The training schedules, from Tuesday, October 26, are to be submitted to your liaison officer
- In order to avoid the 7-days isolation restriction, the French Government has imposed requirement on any participants who are in the following to perform additional Antigenic tests (over and above the mandatory tournament’s RT-PCR tests) and the total cost (ranging from EUR 50 to EUR 450) will have to be borne by the participant:
  - Coming from or have been in the last 14 days in an “orange” country + not vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
  - Coming from or have been in the last 14 days in a “red” country + vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
  - Coming from or have been in the last 14 days in a “red” country + not vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
  - Being part of a group in which one of the participants is in one of the situations detailed above
- Every participant who is then in one of these situations must contact the organisation at teamservices@yonexifb.com as soon as possible.
- Participants categorised as ‘non vaccinated’ coming from a green country will have to be tested every 72h in order to get a valid Health pass (required to enter the venue). The total cost of these additional tests (from EUR 50 to EUR 100) will have to be borne by the participant.
- The awarding of prizes must be done in accordance with the rules of social distancing in force.

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<td>Countries where active circulation in controlled proportions has been reported, albeit with no spread of relevant variants. These include all countries not featured on the ‘green’ and ‘red’ list</td>
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2 COVID-19 Testing for Players and Team Entourage

To ensure the safest possible environment for players and entourage BWF will be implementing a COVID-19 testing plan during the events, where all players and team entourage will be required to undertake several COVID-19 PCR tests. The aim is to as much as possible create infection free ‘bubble’ within the venue environment.

Teams are required to limit the number of personnel in their entourage based on a need-to-basis. Any accredited entourage over and above the accreditation limit will be required to undertake testing at their own cost. There will be mandatory tests per player per event. Additional accreditations and costs for the tests will have to be paid on arrival (accreditation: 150,00€ inc. VAT / PCR test: 70,00€ inc. VAT).

Upon arrival to France, all participants must undergo mandatory isolation (in their hotel and as much as possible in their rooms) until they receive negative results for the on-arrival tests. Participants are therefore required to arrive in France and check-in at official hotels on Saturday, 23 October or Sunday, 24 October. Arrivals on Monday, 25 October are only for participants involved in the Finals of Denmark Open 2021.

Participants who have tested negative for COVID-19 will be able to access the practice facilities from 24 October at Suchet Stadium. However, participants who arrive in Paris on 25
October may not be able to practice as they need to observe the mandatory isolation until the release of their negative on-arrival test results.

**IMPORTANT**

Specific rules apply for participants not vaccinated (with an EMA approved vaccine or similar) and coming from an “orange” or “red” country (or have been in an orange or red country for less than 14 days): strict isolation for transportation, accommodation, dining and training (except for the matches) and daily tests.

The same rules will apply for any participant being part of the same group, even if he/she is vaccinated and/or come from a green country.

Participants in this situation must contact the organisation before the event at: teamservices@yonexifb.com.

The competition will commence on Tuesday, 26 October with the presence of spectators.

### 2.1 Entry requirements

Entry conditions in France mainly depend on two factors:

- The country you come from and where you have been in the past 14 days: if you come from a “green country” but have been less than 14 days before entering France in an “orange or red country”, you must follow the rules described below for these countries.
- If you are fully or not vaccinated: attention, only the EMA authorized vaccine are considered as approved by the French Government.

Every participant has to be registered by the Team Manager on the “Safety Protocol form” provided with the Prospectus to be sent before Monday, September 20th 2021 to teamservices@yonexifb.com. If you have not done it, please get in contact with the organisation team as soon as possible.

The following documents are required to enter France:

a) **Visa**

Participants who are required to apply for a visa to enter France should contact the tournament host to receive a visa support letter. It is the responsibility of the Member Association to apply for the necessary visa in sufficient time, and all matters should be directed to the Embassy in charge.

b) **Country Classifications**

Participants’ entries into France will be categorised based on the country they are arriving from. The classifications are as follows:

**GREEN** countries or territories: Countries where no active viral circulation has been reported and no relevant variants identified. These are European area countries, plus Australia, Bahrain, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Hong Kong, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, New Zealand, Qatar, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal,
Singapore, South Korea, Chinese Taipei, Union of Comoros, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay and Vanuatu

**ORANGE** countries: Countries where active circulation in controlled proportions has been reported, albeit with no spread of relevant variants. These include all countries not featured on the ‘green’ and ‘red’ list.

**RED** countries: Countries where active viral circulation has been reported, including relevant variants. These include the following countries Afghanistan, Brazil, Costa Rica, Cuba, Georgia, Iran, Maldives, Pakistan, Russia, Seychelles, Suriname, and Turkey

Different requirements will be applicable to each classification, in terms of vaccination status, documentations, tests as well as mandatory self-isolation or quarantine.

The links to updated information on the official French government websites:

- [Restrictions and Requirements in France](#)
- [Entry into France](#)
- [Details and documents to show for ‘Non-Vaccinated’ participants arriving from Orange or Red countries](#)

c) Entry requirements

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**Coming from a red country**

- **Vaccinated**
  - Required before departure
  - Negative PCR or antigenic test < 48h
  - Antigenic test + Statement of honor to show

- **Not vaccinated**
  - 7 days self-isolation (including the tournament if part of the “bubble”) + daily tests
  - 10 days strict quarantine in the hotel room

*If you are from the United Kingdom and are not vaccinated, you must present a negative PCR or antigenic test taken less than 24 hours prior to departure*

Every participant who are in the following situations must contact the organisation at teamservices@yonexifb.com as soon as possible:
- Coming from or have been in the last 14 days in an “orange” country + not vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
- Coming from or have been in the last 14 days a “red” country + vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
- Coming from or have been in the last 14 days a “red” country + not vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar
- Being part of a group in which one of the participants is in one of the situations detailed above

**d) Vaccination**

The vaccination status of a participant will determine the level of restrictions prior entry, upon entry and during stay in France. The France Authorities only recognise the EMA authorised vaccines – Pfizer-Cominarty, Moderna, AstraZeneca-Vaxzevria, Johnson&Johnson-Janssen, or AstraZeneca-Covishield. Participants vaccinated with Sinovac + a third shot of Moderna or Pfizer-Cominarty are also considered by the French Authorities as being “vaccinated”.

Participant who are not vaccinated as descripted above will not be considered as being ‘Vaccinated’ by the French Authorities and must follow the rules specified for ‘Non-Vaccinated’ Participants.

**e) Pre-Arrival Negative COVID-19 Certificate**

All participants must submit a pre-arrival negative COVID-19 PCR certificate with the test taken within the **72 hours prior to departure** to France.

The certificate should be emailed to: events.admin@bwfbadminton.org

This includes participants living in France. A physical copy of the certificate may be required at the airport on arrival. The test certificate should be in English.

**The Team Manager is responsible for sending all team members’ negative test certificate in one email to the above email address. The email title should be as follow:**

**French Open 2021: (Name of Team) Pre-Arrival Test Results.**
Number of test result certificates should tally with the number of participants submitted in the accreditation list.

f) COVID-19 insurance coverage
Specific COVID-19 insurance is not currently required to enter France, however all participants must have personal insurance coverage covering any situation included COVID-19 hospitalisation, quarantine and any other costs. The Local Organising Committee is not responsible for any insurance costs related to COVID-19 during the tournament.

g) Invitation Letter from Host
Should you require an invitation letter from the Host for any permission to depart from your home country, please contact the host directly at: teamservices@yonexifb.com

h) Health pass
You must present a health pass to access leisure and culture venues and events bringing together more than 50 people.

It is also requested in bars, restaurants, malls, hospitals (except if you are admitted for urgent care), retirement homes, residential care homes, and for long-distance travel by plane, train or coach. For campsites, and other holiday accommodation you will need to present a pass once, on arrival. This list may be extended as necessary.

The health pass is not required for children under 12. It will be required from 30 September for young people aged 12 to 17, and for the staff of public venues.

The pass must prove one of the three following items:
- That you are fully vaccinated (with an EMA-approved vaccine or similar):
  - Seven days after the second shot for two-shot vaccines (Pfizer, Moderna, AstraZeneca);
  - Four weeks after the shot for one-shot vaccines (Johnson & Johnson);
  - Seven days after the shot for vaccines administered to people who have already had COVID-19 (only one dose is necessary);
  - Seven days after the shot for RNA vaccines administered to people who have been vaccinated with Sinovac vaccine in the first place.
- OR that you have been tested (PCR or antigen) with a negative result within the last 72hrs;
- OR that you have recovered from COVID-19, attested by a positive PCR or antigen test result, at least 15 days and no more than 6 months old.

Passes can be digital (on the TousAntiCovid app) or in paper form (proof of vaccination or test result). They include a QR code that will be scanned on entry into the venue or event.

The French health pass is interoperable with the EU Digital COVID Certificate scheme for travel within the European Union, Iceland, Lichtenstein, Norway, San Marino, Switzerland and the Vatican.
IMPORTANT
If you are not vaccinated (with an EMA approved vaccine or similar) and depending on your “on arrival test” date, you might need to be tested more times than planned in the testing plan detailed below in order to have a valid health pass and be allowed to enter the venues.
Please get in contact with teamservices@yonexifb.com to arrange additional tests at the venue.

i) TousAntiCovid
TousAntiCovid is a Health Pass app introduced by the French Authorities to provide convenient access to those who have been fully-vaccinated (EMA authorised vaccines) and those who have been obtained negative result from test taken 72 hours prior. It is mandatory for all participants to download the application on their mobile devices:
- Apple - https://apps.apple.com/app/id1511279125

All participants must possess valid Health Pass in order to gain access to the tournament venue (Stade Pierre de Coubertin) or practice venue (Sachet Stadium). Participants categorised as ‘Non-Vaccinated’ must ensure to undergo the required number of tests in order to keep their Health Pass valid (every 72 hours).

How to add your health pass in the TousAntiCovid app:
1. Open the "Open My Wallet" area
2. Click on "Add a certificate"
3. Scan the QR code of your document
4. Congratulations! You have registered your health pass
5. During the control operations, press on the certificate and present it to the control officer.

2.2 Testing Strategy
The testing strategy is divided into the following:

a) Pre-Arrival Test: All players/entourage must obtain a negative RT-PCR test certificate 72 hours prior to their departure to France. This requirement includes foreign and French players/entourage living in France. The cost of the pre-departure test is to be borne by the respective Member Association(s)/player(s).

The negative certificate must be sent to: events.admin@bwfbadminton.org

The test certificate should be in English. The Team Manager is responsible for sending all team members’ negative test certificate in one email to the above email address.

The email title should be as follow:
French Open 2021: (Name of Team) Pre-Arrival Test Results.
Number of test result certificates should tally with the number of participants submitted in the accreditation list.

b) **On-Arrival Test, 23, 24, 25 October:** Players/entourage to be tested upon arrival at the official hotels, with results to be received within 12 to 24 hours. The on-arrival RT-PCR test will be provided at no cost to participants.

Participants will be required to self-isolate in their hotel (and as much as possible in their rooms) until a negative result is received. The test result will be emailed and SMS to each individual. In order to open the PDF test result, you will need the following code: 3 first letters of your name + date of birth (DDMMYYYY).

The Team Manager is responsible for collecting all test results and email to: events.admin@bwfbadminton.org

**The email title should be as follow:**
French Open 2021: (Name of Team) Pre-Arrival Test Results.

c) **Pre-Departure Test, 28 October:** Player/entourage to be tested at the official hotels for their departure from France with results to be received within 12 to 24 hours. The pre-departure RT-PCR test will be provided at no cost to participants.

d) **Other Tests for ‘Non-Vaccinated’, 26, 27, 31 October:** Participants categorised as ‘Non-Vaccinated’ will need to undergo several other tests (over and above the above-mentioned mandatory tests) in order to keep their Health Pass valid (valid for 72 hours for each test). These additional tests will be of Antigenic Test and the cost (EUR 50 per test) will need to be borne by the respective Member Association(s)/player(s). The fee needs to be paid a day before each test at the tournament’s Accreditation desk, with results to be received within 30 minutes.

e) **Daily Tests for ‘Non-Vaccinated’ coming from an “orange” country and vaccinated + “Non vaccinated” coming from a “red” country:** Participants categorised as ‘Non-Vaccinated’ coming from “orange” or “red” country or being part of a group where someone is concerned by this case will need to undergo daily antigenic tests (over and above the above-mentioned mandatory tests) in order to comply with the French regulation. These additional tests will be of Antigenic Test and the cost (EUR 50 per test) will need to be borne by the respective Member Association(s)/player(s). The fee needs to be paid a day before each test at the tournament’s Accreditation desk, with results to be received within 30 minutes.

f) **Additional Testing for Travel Certificate:** Participants that require a negative RT-PCR certificate to travel to their next destination and falls outside of the Mandatory tournament test, to proceed to check with the tournament host for assistance to secure the test needed. Please note that the cost of this test will be borne by the Member Association(s)/player(s).
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Each participant should approach the host at the Secretariat Office in the tournament venue no later than 48 hours before the test. The cost of the RT-PCR test is **EUR 70** (per test) and must be paid in CASH or Credit Card to the organising committee Accreditation desk.

### 2.3 Testing Procedure

Testing will be carried out in a secure environment at a designated testing room at the official hotels and tournament venue, according to the below testing plan.

The BWF and LOC will fund two tests for each person. Any tests above that will be borne by the participant. All test results are expected back within 12 to 24 hours (RT-PCR) and 30 minutes (Antigenic).

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**Additional Test Cost**

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#### Cases for Vaccinated People Coming from a "Green" & "Orange" Country

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**Additional Test Cost**

- EUR 50

All testing activities are mandatory and a requirement to get an accreditation and valid Health Pass – access to the tournament. Accreditation passes will only be issued to green group personnel (see section 4.3) once negative tests have been obtained.

In addition, if BWF request a test to be taken this cannot be refused. If players/coaches have symptoms, they may request a test.
2.4 Testing Method

The RT-PCR testing method will be used as this test is effective in confirming the presence of COVID-19 virus. This test requires having a swab of their nose taken and the sample is analysed to confirm whether the individual is infected or not.

The RT-PCR test result can be obtained within 12 to 24 hours.

The Antigenic testing method will be used for ‘Non-Vaccinated’ participants to revalidate their Health Pass in order to gain access to tournament venue and practice venue; and for ‘Non-Vaccinated’ participant coming from an orange or Vaccinated/Non-Vaccinated participant coming from a red country to comply with the specific French regulation.

The Antigenic test result can be obtained within 30 minutes.

2.5 Protocols in the Case of a Positive Test

In the case of a positive test or an identification as direct contact, all associated costs for players/team entourage will be covered by the participant’s insurance coverage. The Local Organizing Committee and/or BWF are not responsible for any insurance costs related to COVID-19 during the tournament.

In case of positive PCR test:

- The participant should inform BWF at events.admin@bwfbadminton.org.
- The participant, in relation with the host organising committee, will have to isolate at his/her own cost in a room of his/her official hotel for 10 days. This automatically results in a withdrawal from the tournament.
- The French health authorities do not accept evidence of previous infection with COVID-19 as an exemption from the mandatory isolation period in the case of a positive PCR result. Any person with a positive PCR result will be isolated for the period recommended by the local health authorities.
- There will be no further PCR or antigenic test to confirm or not the positive test.

In case of positive antigenic test:

- The participant should inform BWF at events.admin@bwfbadminton.org.
- A PCR test will be done to confirm or not the antigenic test result.
- The participant will have to isolate in his/her room waiting for the test result (up to 24h). This might result in a withdrawal from the tournament depending on the timing of the PCR test result.
- If the PCR test is positive, refer to the information above. If the PCR test is negative, the participant can keep on participating the event.

In case of non-conclusive test:

- The participant should inform BWF at events.admin@bwfbadminton.org.
- A further PCR test will be done to identify if the participant is positive or not.
The participant will have to isolate in his/her room waiting for the test result (up to 24h). This might result in a withdrawal from the tournament depending on the timing of the PCR test result.
- If the PCR test is positive, refer to the information above. If the PCR test is negative, the participant can keep on participating the event.

Contact tracing:
In connection with contact tracing, other participants can be asked to do self-isolation and undergo further testing. Kindly note that any roommates and all doubles partners are automatically classified as direct contact.

All direct contacts of a positive case are required to be tested. If the direct contact is vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar and the PCR test result is negative, he/she has not to isolate. If the direct contact is not vaccinated with an EMA approved vaccine or similar, he/she must undergo a mandatory 7-day self-isolation period if the test result is negative.

It is extremely important that all participants maintain physical distance and wear masks in order to minimize the number of contact cases that will need to be quarantined.

3 Protocols for Players and Team Entourage – Pre-Tournament

3.1 Pre-departure Testing in Home Country / Tournament Prior
All players/entourage (including reserves) must obtain a negative test certificate 72 hours prior to their departure to France. This requirement includes foreign and French players living in France. This is to ensure that all participants start the Championships with some assurance that they are COVID-19 free. The pre-departure test is at the Member Association/team/player/entourage own cost.

Prior to departure, at least one day before the expected arrival date for the tournament, the test result must be emailed to: events.admin@bwfbadminton.org

All players/entourage must also possess original copy of the negative test certificate to be presented at the check-in counter at the point of departure and at the local Immigration upon arrival at the tournament airport.

| Before leaving your country/city |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Do                              | Don’t           |
| - Stay in your own secure environment  | - Don’t go out to crowded areas |
| - Get a copy of your negative test certificate | - Don’t attend group gatherings |
| - Don’t hang out with people you don’t know |
3.2 Safety on Flights and In Airports

Players and team entourage should strictly follow guidelines issued by the aviation authorities and airlines concerned. General personal hygiene measures such as regularly washing hands, not touching face, physical distancing and wearing face masks are highly recommended.

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4 Protocols for Players and Team Entourage - During Event

4.1 Transport from airport to hotel

Upon arrival at Charles de Gaulle Airport and Orly Airport or Paris Train Stations, participants are required to present their negative COVID-19 certificate to the local Immigration at the airport.

Each team will be transported from the airport/train station directly to the official hotels. Buses and minibuses will be used with 50% capacity in order to preserve social distancing.

Players/team entourage as well as the bus drivers are required to wear face masks at all times during transport.

4.2 Hotel

The official tournament hotels are Mercure Paris Boulogne, Radisson Blu Boulogne, Apparthotel Mercure Paris Boulogne and Residhome Paris Issy Les Moulineaux. The hotels are not exclusive reserved for the tournament – there will be other visitors throughout the full duration of the Yonex French Open 2021.

Players/team entourage are required to wear face masks at all times when out of their room and respect social distancing.

Catering will be allowed only in a dedicated room and/or in Players/team entourage rooms depending on the hotel.

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- Inform your Team Manager / BWF if you experience any of the following symptoms: fever above 37.6 (scanned on the forehead), cough, sore throat, loss of sense or smell, cold-like symptoms.
- Stay in your hotel (and as much as possible in your room) until the test result is ready (need to be prepared for a wait of up to 24 hours)

- Don’t mingle in the lobby while waiting for results, accreditation may be withheld
- Don’t hang out with people you don’t know
- Don’t go to crowded places

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<td>- Wait for Team Managers to collect accreditations for whole team</td>
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<td>- Leave your room only for practice purposes</td>
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<td>- Don’t use the fitness facilities during times allocated to other groups</td>
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It is very important that players and entourage take measures to mitigate the risks associated with this. Avoid close gatherings, maintain physical distancing, wear face masks etc.

No movements to food outlets or convenient stores will be allowed at any time throughout tournament duration.

The pre-departure RT-PCR tests will also be carried out in the hotel, at the same location as the On-Arrival test in the official hotel, while the ‘Non-Vaccinated’ Antigenic, daily antigenic and On-Request tests will be carried out at the tournament venue. After the test is conducted, players/entourage are able to continue their daily routine as normal, while waiting for the test result.

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4.3 Accreditation

Players and team entourage that have been tested and obtained a negative result, will be designated green and be given a Green accreditation. The green group primarily includes all stakeholders who will come into direct contact with players and team entourage. Everyone within the green group will be required to undertake a COVID-19 test as defined. No personnel are allowed to access tournament facilities and transport without an accreditation pass. (Players are not permitted to access the practice facilities or use transport before collecting accreditation.)

All accreditation for a group must be picked up at once by the team manager at the accreditation desk.

For all accreditation requests, please fill out the accreditation form and send it to: teamservices@yonexifb.com with photos in jpeg format (50-100Kb maximum).

You must carry your accreditation card with you at all times and display it prominently off the field.

If you suspect a breach of this security, please notify one of our Stewards.

If you give your credential to another person to gain access to the stadium, your credential will be revoked and you will be escorted from the stadium.

In addition to the accreditation, it is mandatory to provide your health pass at the entrance of the Coubertin Stadium and the Suchet Training Center. For practical reasons, we advise you to register on the mobile app "TousAntiCovid".

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<td>Team liaison officers</td>
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4.4 Accreditation Zones

The tournament venue will be divided into two zones – Green and Red. The green zone broadly includes all areas where players, entourage and TO’s will be congregating such as the FOP, players’ lounge, secretariat and TO’s areas and the red zones include all areas outside of this such as spectator and VIP areas.
4.5 The Competition Venue

The competition venue is Stade Pierre de Coubertin, located 300m to 1,5km from the official hotels. Transport between hotel and venue/practice venue

Shuttle buses are operated between the hotels, the competition and training sites. It will be mandatory to use the shuttle buses according to the following scheme:

- Residhome Issy les Moulineaux: mandatory use of the shuttle bus to go to the venue/training venue.
- Radisson Blu: walking between the hotel and the venue will be allowed if wearing a face- mask and respecting social distancing. To get to the training venue, it will be mandatory to use the organization's shuttles.
- Mercure (hotel and AppartHotel) : walking between the hotel and the venue will be allowed if wearing a face- mask and respecting social distancing. To get to the training venue, it will be mandatory to use the organization's shuttles.
- From Coubertin venue to training venue: use of the shuttle will be mandatory.

The shuttles will respect a 50% gauge allowing a social distancing. Players and entourage as well as bus drivers are required to wear face mask/face shields at all times during transport.

The bus stop is located in front of each hotel. A shuttle schedule will be given to each delegation. For any additional information, please contact your liaison officers.

No movements to food outlets or convenient stores will be allowed at any time throughout tournament duration.

The use of the official transport is mandatory throughout the tournament. Players and entourage as well as bus drivers are required to wear face mask/face shields at all times during transport.

4.6 Temperature Screening

No temperature screening devices will be installed at the tournament venues or hotels. Participants are therefore advised to perform own monitoring of body temperature throughout tournament duration.

4.7 Face Masks/Face shields

It is mandatory for all green zone personnel to wear face masks/face shields at all times, except for players preparing or playing for matches, or umpires when sitting in the umpires’ chair. If one were to wear a face shield, he/she must still wear a face mask.

It is strongly recommended to change your mask every 3 hours. It is also requested to dispose off your mask and used tissues in the trash.

Please ensure that you have sufficient supply of face masks throughout your stay in France. The organisation will not provide face masks.
4.8 Warm Up Courts

Three warm up courts will be available for players throughout the events. To ensure physical distancing is carried out, a maximum of 6 players are permitted to use each warm-up court at any one time. In addition, the warm-up courts are strictly limited to those players with upcoming matches. BWF and the local organising committee seek the assistance of the players to ensure these measures are implemented.

The warm-up area will be cleaned regularly.

4.9 Practice courts

Seven practice courts will be available for players throughout the events. The practice courts are located in Suchet Stadium. Dedicated transport will be provided between Suchet Stadium and the official hotels. The use of transport between the official hotel and the practice venue is mandatory.

The local organising committee will design the practice court schedule in a way that limits the number of players within the practice area at any one time.

The practice hall will be cleaned regularly.

4.10 Players’ Lounge

Access to the players’ lounge is strictly on a need-to basis and applicable only to Green Zone accredited personnel.

As general advice, all players/coaches/managers/entourage are encouraged to go back to their respective hotel rooms upon completion of their match/duty. This is to avoid crowding and to reduce the risk of exposure. As per other areas of the stadium, players and entourage should practice good hygiene when inside the lounge.

4.11 Catering

Buffet style breakfast will be served in the hotel restaurant. Lunch and dinner can be ordered through the hotel or delivery app (Uber Eats, Deliveroo, Just Eat, etc.) for deliveries at the hotel or at the venue players’ entrance.

- Deliveroo:
  - Apple - https://deliveroo.fr/app?platform=ios
  - Android - https://deliveroo.fr/app?platform=android
- Uber Eats:
- Just Eat:
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4.12 Players’ Seating Area
No players’ seating area will be offered at the tournament, due to space limitation and the presence of spectators.

Player match analysis video recordings will not be permitted. Streaming footage of the matches will be available from France on the FFBaD Youtube channel or on demand at: teamservices@yonexifb.com. The organizers reserve the right to remove any equipment that violates this policy.

4.13 Changing Rooms
It is highly recommended that players avoid using dressing room showers unless absolutely necessary. All players/coaches/managers/entourage are encouraged to go back to their respective hotel rooms upon completion of their match/duty.

4.14 Physio Services
Physio services will be available throughout the competition. The tournament physios are part of the tournament testing programme and will be allocated green zone accreditation passes.

Location and setup details to be clarified. Both the physio and the player must wear face masks/face shields during treatment. The physio bed and equipment will be disinfected after each treatment.

4.15 Anti-Doping
Anti-doping will be implemented as per BWF regulations.

4.16 Stringing Service
Stringing service will be provided by YONEX free of charge for YONEX sponsored players and EUR 21 for non-YONEX players, including strings. More information on stringing arrangements will be provided during the team managers meeting and/or through your liaison officer.

4.17 Official Briefings
The team managers meeting of Yonex French Open 2021 will be held on Monday, 25 Oct at 19:00 at the tournament venue.

It is recommended that each team only sends one representative unless absolutely necessary to send another staff (i.e. interpreters/translators).
4.18 Security

Regular security checks will be conducted throughout the facilities.

Dedicated security personnel will regulate the flow of movement at the competition venue. In order to limit the traffic especially on narrow corridors, the flow of movement will be kept one-directional.

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<td>- Don’t go to spectator carnival area</td>
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<td>- Enter and exit via the Green Zone entry/exit points</td>
<td>- Don’t hang out at the venue</td>
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<td>- Follow the Green Zone path to access the Warm-up, Practice and Competition courts</td>
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<td>- Limit the number of people on one court to 6 players</td>
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<td>- Wear your face mask during physio treatment</td>
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<td>- Limit the number of representatives attending official meetings/briefings</td>
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<td>- Go back to the hotel room upon the completion of your match/duties</td>
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5 Protocols for Players and Team Entourage - During match

5.1 Assembly Point

Physical distancing measures must be closely followed at the players assembly area. Before players are called on court, umpires will carry out the players’ clothes inspection. Umpires, service judges and players are all required to wear their face masks and follow physical distancing during the inspection.

Once a match is ready to be called on court, technical officials will be announced and march on first. Players will then be announced on court separately.

5.2 Pre- and Post-Match Protocols

Instead of shaking hands, players can touch rackets with their opponents or nod/put their hand across their chest when greeting the match officials.
5.3 **Coin Toss**

The umpires will ensure that there is adequate space between players during the coin toss. The coin will be disinfected between matches.

5.4 **Shuttle Dispenser**

A shuttlecock dispenser will be provided at each end of the court. When a player wants to change the shuttlecock and is allowed to do so by the Umpire, the player can return the used shuttlecock into the shuttle box and take a new shuttlecock from the dispenser.

5.5 **Coaching**

Only one coach per player/pair per match is permitted on the field of play.

5.6 **Intervals and Breaks in the Game**

After the end of each game, the Service Judge will place the 2-min interval cone on the court and return to stand by his own chair until the end of the interval.

At change of ends, players are required to carry their own bags and place them into the player box on the opposite side. Players are requested not to leave any unpleasant items in the player boxes such as plasters, bandages, plastic bottles, food etc. Kindly take every item with you.

When line judges/floor assistants mop the court, the Umpires must ensure that the players are standing by the player boxes during the cleaning procedure.

5.7 **Walk off Procedure**

After the end of each match, the players will walk off court following the umpire. Physical distancing measures shall be closely followed during the walk off.

5.8 **Cleaning of Court Equipment**

The following equipment will be cleaned and disinfected frequently:

- Players boxes
- HSBC player chairs
- Shuttle dispensers
- Net tape
- Umpire tablet
- Umpire chair (seat, handles, steps)
- Service judge chair
- Service height measuring device
Pre- and post-match

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<td>- Wear your mask at the assembly area</td>
<td>- Don’t shake hands or hug opponents</td>
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<td>- Greet your opponents and Technical Officials with a nod, wave or hit rackets together</td>
<td>- Don’t throw anything into the crowd (clothes, racket, shuttles)</td>
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<td>- Collect shuttlecocks from the shuttlecock dispenser and not from Service Judge</td>
<td>- Don’t leave any items in the player box</td>
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<td>- Return used shuttles to the shuttle box</td>
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<td>- Ensure you move all items from the player box when you change ends and at the end of the game</td>
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<td>- Stand by your player box while the court is being mopped</td>
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6 Protocols for Players and Team Entourage - Post match

6.1 Media Obligations

The players will be required to undertake post-match media obligations as outlined in the BWF Regulations. There will however be new protocols in place to ensure the safety of players, media and translators.

The mixed zone or media interview area will be stationed nearby the field of play exit as per previous tournaments. The only media allowed into these areas will be appointed, approved and managed by BWF. It is mandatory for media and translators appointed by BWF to undergo COVID-19 testing and therefore all interviews carried out in the mixed zone and/or interview area will be conducted by media who have tested negative for COVID-19.

The interviews in the mixed zone and/or interview area will be conducted under physical distancing rules or any other protocols decided by BWF. Media and translators required to wear face masks.

Post-match on court interviews will not be carried out.

6.2 Prize presentations

Before each presentation, the players will be required to sanitise their hands. Children and other entourage are not permitted in the presentation area.

Prize presenters and ushers are required to wear face mask throughout the ceremony.

Shall players request to wear a face mask during the ceremony, this will be allowed.

During presentations, physical distancing measures will be followed and prize presenters will be instructed not to verbally communicate with players. Players shall pick up the prizes from
trays, rather than be handed them from presenters. A group photo observing physical distancing rules will be carried out at the end of each presentation.

Further information will be provided at the Team Managers’ meeting.

7 Player appearances for HSBC BWF World Tour sponsors and partners

All player appearances at the booth areas will not be carried out, instead online player appearance/meet and greet activities will be organized. All appearances will be adapted to ensure the safety of players and all stakeholders involved.

However, the players might be required to sign on physical premiums as giveaways without any presence of public as part of the player appearances obligations.

8 Breaches of COVID-19 Safety Protocols

The BWF has introduced specific penalties for breaches of the COVID-19 safety protocols. An overview of the breaches and penalties can be found under Chapter 2, Section 2.5.1 of the BWF Statutes: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/statutes/

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