

“Protocol COVID 19 for Pan Am Tournaments”

This is a document of Badminton Pan Am in conjunction with the Guatemala National Federation of Badminton has developed, is a reference of mandatory protocol, with sanitary measures for a safe realization of the tournament, because of the COVID 19. This with the aim to reactivate the safe sportive practice for all, athlete, judges, group staff, and associated in general.

This protocol fulfils with the measures and general recommendations of prevention, cleaning of the installations, contours for the staff, area of lodging, as well as of transport and communication for the athletes. Established by the local authorities, as well as the recommendations effected by the BWF for the realization of tournaments.

Finally, it aims that this sanitary protocol is of forced fulfillment for all the sportsmen, technical officials, staff and all the members that will make possible this international tournament. Please take in account that these protocols are valid and have to fulfil even if the athletes or personal participant already has been vaccinated.

The breach of the sanitary protocols carried out a sanction to the athlete.

1.-Protocol for athlete and team of support:

Mandatory for all the athletes, trainers, team of support, referees, referees and staff have to make a test of PCR COVID-19 on the 3 days before participating in the tournament and show a negative result. This to ensure that the participants begin the tournament with some security that they are free of COVID-19.

2.-Security in flights and airports.

Measures for the arrival to Guatemala, for the delegations or athlete that come from foreigner country is recommended to travel by air, to facilitate his access to the country, since the general sanitary measures are those that operate in the majority of the countries, as they are: **use of mandatory face mask, keep a distance of 1.5 meters, wash the hands periodically during the travel, use antibacterial gel and avoid touching your face.** The airport of the city of Guatemala also guarantees these general sanitary measures. Likewise, will be request them to mandatory fill a format, in where is request his last country visit, as well as not present covid-19 symptoms or problems, and other personal data such as name and last name and place of destination in Guatemala.

In general, also strictly follow of the guidelines issued by aviation authorities of and airlines.

When arriving to the airport passengers can be take them to be tested whit PCR test in a specific area, which delivers the results in maximum 30 minutes, this with the aim to verify that when

arriving to Guatemala the athlete is negative of the COVID – 19 (This is only if the person has exceeded the time required or has not been tested)

Each person will have to carry his luggage, this service will be not providing, in order to avoid the contact of personal objects by others.

3.-Protocol for athletes and support team, during the event:

The transport, will be organize whit the aim of physical distance between athletes and support team that means that they cannot use all the seats, only between 30% and 50% of the total capacity of the vehicles will be use. **All passengers of the shuttle will mandatorily use of face mask during the trip**, hand antibacterial gel will be provided at shuttle boarding. All the vehicles used to transport athletes and the support team will be periodically disinfect and the drivers will use mandatory face masks.

The delegations will be only able to lodge in the official hotel where all the sanitary measures established will be apply, like the taking of temperature at the arrival of the hotel, dispensers of hand antibacterial gel in all common areas.

The official hotel for the tournament will accommodate other guests that are not related with the event. Therefore, it is important that the athletes take measured to mitigate the risks of contagion, like avoiding large meetings, keep safe distances, use of face masks, use of antibacterial gel when taking elevators. To guarantee the possible safest surroundings for the athletes and support team, the local organizer committee will focus on create, when possible, "free" bubbles of environment in the hotel facilities, in this matter the athletes must only be inside his rooms, will be here where they receive his foods, there will be not buffet services in the Hotel, in case of use the service of outside food delivery, the Hotel will offer a specific space which can receive his foods on a safe way.

4.- Measured of General access to the tournament facilities:

To access to the facilities, this will have temporary physical barrier or meaning of **distance of 1.5 meters between each person**. In the entry all without exception have to clean previous to the entry to the gymnasium their footwear. Access will be granted to the installation to the minimum allows number people required for the competition, ATHLETES, TRAINERS, TECHNICAL OFFICIALS, STAFF. The COMPETITION will have a limitation of participation reflected in the maximum capacity of the installation in base to the Specific Protocol of the Installation.

The setting of the competition will have to adjust to the measures of interpersonal separation of 1.5 meters as minimum allowed.

The use of mask will be mandatory at all times, whit exception of the ATHLETES during the strict length of the GAME.

The use of the hand antibacterial gel will be mandatory in the entrances and exits of court and entrances and exits of the seating area and changing rooms. Each day, all accredited people, included the athletes and support team, will be submitted to temperature verification every time they entry the facilities.

4.1.-Specific measures in seating zones:

For every tournament all the athletes and trainers, will situate in a specific space for this purpose. **Each PERSON will have to complain with the interpersonal minimum distance of 1.5 meters, carry face mask in correct form at all times and apply hand antibacterial gel at the entrance and exit. (There will be a specific place in the seating area, entitled for each country, to fulfill with the social distance)**

4. 2.-Specific measures in the changing rooms area.

Each PERSON will have to do a correct use of the changing rooms reducing to the shortest time on it and use extreme measures of protection and hygiene in the actions they carry out there. Each PERSON will have to comply with the interpersonal minimum distance of 1.5 meters, carry the face mask in proper way at all times and use hand antibacterial gel in the entrance and exit of the changing rooms. (Indicate that, although there are showers, these cannot be use)

5.-Warming and practice court:

To guarantee that mandatory physical distance is carry on, a maximum of 4 athletes practicing in each warming court anytime is allowed. Besides, warming court are strictly limited to those athletes with next matches. The local organizer committee seek for athletes support to ensure that these measures are implemented. The local organizer committee will make a schedule for the use of practice court in a way that limit the number of athletes inside the practice at any time. The trainings at the competition court before the game must be suspend without previous warning.

5. 1-Measured at competition practice:

BEFORE: Each Athlete must use their own shuttlecocks at warming court and collected them once ending practice punting them properly in the racket box. bring all the necessary items for the game, including a dry towel for sweat cleaning. Athlete will access to the court only when is call out by name trough paging system (not before), following of access route trace by local organizer for each one of the courts. The player that was called to the game in the first place will situate in the further side of court to the route of access. It will situate the equipment box at 2 m of distance of the mate (in case of double) and the chair (or location) of the referee. Physical contact with the referee's team, the mate or the opponent is forbidden any moment

DURING: Safeguard the individual and personal use of water bottle, towel, rackets and clothing. Guarantee the safe distance of 2 meters when addressing to the match referee on the court. Avoid take the shuttlecock with the hands, except during service, in which it will be take only by the feathers. Avoid as possible the contact with the net. Dry sweat outside the court with the use of personal towel. The change of court side will be performed underneath of the net, in the center of the court. The first move will be done by the wining or leading athlete. The other athlete, in the meantime, will wait beside his equipment plastic box to do the change.

AFTERWARDS: Dry sweat from body, put all the personal items inside the equipment plastic box and put on personal facemask. In the first place, will exit the athlete that is close to the route marked by the organization. then will do it the other athlete, going through under the net. Keep at all times the safe distance. When all the people at field exits, sanitizing personnel will enter to sanitize the court and the chairs of the technical officials.

When an athlete is eliminated of competition no longer will be able to assist to the coliseum, will be kept at the official hotel until the ending of the tournament or his return flight date, keeping this way the sanitary “bubble” and minimize the travel of personnel to the coliseum.

6.- Athletes seats zone:

There will be a seats zone available for athletes in each tournament and organized matter that avoid contact between athletes. It is important that the athletes and the team retinue keep the rules of physical distance for seating zone.

7.- Point of meeting:

In general, there will be fewer people in the athletes meeting point area that those on previous tournaments. Line judges will walk to the court separately from athletes. Instead of hand shaking, the athletes can touch the rackets with his opponents and salute the referees putting his hand on the chest in sing of greeting.

8.-Shuttlecock dispensers:

Shuttlecock dispensers will be provided in each end of the court. When a player wants to change a Shuttlecock and the referee allows him to do it, the player can take the Shuttlecock of the dispenser and gives back the used Shuttlecock to the judge with the racket or discard it in the box of Shuttlecocks.

9.-Coaching

Only one trainer for player / couple is allow, until further notice.

10.-Award ceremonies.

Before each award presentation, athletes must that disinfect their hands. Childs and any another entourage are not allowed in the award presentation area. During the award presentation ceremony measures of physical distance must be applied and the award givers must not to communicate verbally with the athletes. A winners group photo observing the rules of distance will be taken at the end of each presentation.

11.- Obligations of the means

It will be required that the athletes assume obligations of news media after the game as it describes in the Regulations. However, there will be new protocols to guarantee the safety of journalist, media and translators.

The mixed zone or interviews area with the media will be near of the exit from court ground according to previous tournaments. The only media allowed in these areas will be designated and the interviews in the mixed zone and / or interviews area will be observed rules of physical distance and mandatory use of face mask by media and the translators. In court after match interviews will not be carry out until further notice.

12.- Procedure for Covid-19 suspicious cases.

The detection test procedures will be determinate by local health authority and/or designated organism for testing in each event and results will be informed to the Associations before, during or when finishing the tournament. The proofs will be carried out in safe surroundings designated area.

13. – Picture of infringements and sanctions of the protocols COVID – 19.

(BWF Statutes, Section 2.5.1)

Sanction	Penalties
Not providing test results, when necessary, before arriving to the tournament	\$500 USD If fault is due to not test made, in addition to the previous penalty, the accreditation can be deleted, and as resulted expulsion of the tournament.
Deny to take COVID – 19 tests, if request by Tournament Organizers	\$500 USD and accreditation removal resulting in tournament expulsion
Not revealing COVID – 19 symptoms	First incident: \$ 500 USD Second Incident: \$1000 USD and tournament expulsion
Go into public areas or when it was necessary being isolated or deny to be isolate (in case was necessary)	\$ 500 USD and tournament expulsion
Not remaining at designated accommodation (When it was necessary)	First incident: \$ 500 USD Second Incident: \$1000 USD and tournament expulsion
Not following the rules of the Tournament regarding the use of face mask.	First incident: verbal warning Second incidence: \$ 250 USD Third Incidence: \$ 500 USD and tournament expulsion
Shake hand or any physical contact between people	First incident: verbal warning Second and further incidence: \$ 250 USD