



Uppsala, updated 28 December 2021

COVID-19 regulations for Victor Swedish Open 2022

The purpose of the COVID-19 regulations is to prevent the spread of COVID-19 during Victor Swedish Open 2022 and ensure a safe competition for everyone involved. The regulations are based on the [Safety guidelines for Badminton Europe Confederation sanctioned tournaments v2](#) and have been harmonized with the guidelines of Swedish authorities, ie the [The Public Health Agency of Sweden](#), [the Police](#) and the [County Administrative Board of Uppsala](#).

We are aware that it may be difficult to interpret all the information. Don't hesitate to contact the [organizer](#), if you have questions related to the regulations.

General rules

During the Victor Swedish Open 2022, the following general rules apply:

- Use face mask.
- Keep a distance from each other.
- Be careful with hygiene - wash your hands often.
- Avoid crowds.
- Access to the arena requires accreditation from the organizer.
- If someone becomes ill, even with mild symptoms, the person is placed in quarantine in the hotel room until a test has been performed and a negative test result has been obtained.
- It is recommended that all participants are tested prior to departure to Uppsala.
- While travelling, all preventive measures (face masks, social distancing, hand hygiene, etc) must be respected.

Accreditation

Accreditation is required for

- Players, coaches and team managers.
- Referees and umpires.
- Officials on the floor and in the match control.

Apply for accreditation via [this link](#) no later than 6 January 2022.

Accreditation is issued after a negative COVID-19 test upon arrival at the hotel.

Accreditation will be revoked for persons showing cold symptoms. An additional negative COVID-19 test is required to reclaim the accreditation.

At the Arena

- [IFU Arena](#)
- Keep a physical distance of at least 1 meter to everyone.
- Use a face mask.
- Players and coaches should arrive to the venue maximum 60 minutes before their match and go back to the hotel as soon as the match is over.





- The changing rooms at the venue will be closed, i.e. changes and showers will take place in the hotel room.
- Each player/pair is only allowed 1 coach while playing.

COVID-19 Testing

From 28 December 2021, a negative COVID-19 test is required for most foreign citizens, for entry to Sweden, see section “Entry to Sweden”.

In addition to this, all participants will be COVID-19 tested upon arrival at the hotel in Uppsala at the organizer’s expense. Note that participants must be at the hotel, ready to be tested, no later than 6 hours before a player’s first match. The schedule for testing will be based on arrival time to Stockholm Arlanda Airport or Uppsala.

Testing will be performed by antigen rapid test and the test result will be available within 15-30 minutes. Accreditation is approved after a negative COVID-19 test result and the person is welcome to the IFU Arena.

In case of a positive antigen test, the test result must be confirmed by a PCR test at the expense of the individual’s association. The individual receiving a positive antigen test result will be placed in quarantine at the hotel. Quarantine will be maintained until receiving a negative COVID-19 test or declared healthy by medical doctor. The organizer is not responsible for covering any costs deriving from a positive COVID-19 test result.

During the tournament, decisions regarding new tests can be made by the tournament physician if:

- Individual has elevated body temperature
- Individual shows symptoms of COVID-19
- Person with whom the individual has been in close contact with has tested positive or shown symptoms.

COVID-19 testing before returning home

The organizer can assist in providing COVID-19 tests with travel certificate for return flights. These tests will be paid by the participant. Send a request with the preferred time for COVID-19 testing, based on your date and time of departure, to info@swedishopen2022.se no later than January 6, 2022.

Accommodation

All participants must stay at the official tournament hotel, [Arenahotellet](http://Arenahotellet.se). Accommodation is preferably booked nationally by the associations via email to reception@arenahotellet.se.

Transportation

The hotel, Arenahotellet, is located next to the IFU Arena, i.e. walking distance (approx. 150 meters).

Official point of arrival is Stockholm Arlanda Airport (ARN) or Uppsala Central Station from where transport will be provided.

NOTE! To guarantee transportation, the transportation request must be registered nationally on www.swedishopen2022.se, at the latest by January 6, 2022.





Entry to Sweden

Starting on the 28th of December, **all foreign travellers, with a few exceptions, will have to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test result upon entering Sweden**, even if they are vaccinated. The test must be no more than 48 hours old when they cross the Swedish border. According to the Public Health Agency of Sweden, this can be done with a negative PCR, LAMP, TMA or antigen test.

Note that travel restrictions are subject to change on a short notice, each individual must take responsibility to follow any updated information.

Updated information on requirements related to travel into Sweden is regularly posted at the Swedish Police website. [Travel to Sweden during the corona pandemic](#).

The Police also refers to the [government's FAQ](#) and other information on [government.se](#).

List of COVID-19 vaccines recognised for travel to Sweden is found at [schengenvisainfo.com](#).

All participants outside the EU/EEA need a written invitation from the organizer of Victor Swedish Open to be exempt from the entry ban i.e., to be able to enter Sweden.

Apply for a written invitation in the accreditation application, see above under “Accreditation” no later than 6 January 2022.

Meals

The Arena hotel restaurant is open for breakfast and dinner and in the IFU Arena restaurant, lunch and dinner are served.

Spectators

The tournament is currently planned to be held with spectators following the local authority's regulations for spectators in the venue.

Summary

Accreditation is mandatory for entering the IFU Arena and is only approved for persons receiving a negative COVID-19 test on arrival.

The mandatory COVID-19 testing on arrival to the hotel is at the organizer's expense. All costs deriving from a positive test result will be charged to the individual's federation.

A separate entrance to the IFU Arena will be used for accredited persons.

In addition to the *COVID-19 regulations for Victor Swedish Open 2022*, the *Safety guidelines for BEC sanctioned tournaments* must be followed during the competition.

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Important dates

December 2021

21st Last day for registration (16:59 CET)

January 2022

3rd Last withdrawal day (11:59 CET)

4th Draw

6th Last day for booking transport

Last day for accreditation/photo and entry certificates

7th Last day for payment of registration fees

19th Team managers meeting

19-20th Players latest arrival time to Uppsala 6 hours before first match

20th Start Victor Swedish Open 2022



Vi vet att du kan!

