

# **EUSA European Universities Cycling Championships**

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### **Preliminary Participants Protocol COVID-19**

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# Before the event

## Costs and Refunds

Besides the offered package deal of 70 euros a day, an additional one-off costs of 30 euros are charged for unforeseen expenses, regarding the necessary COVID-measures. The obligated COVID rapid tests will be provided by the OC. Individuals who encounter negative traveling advice by the time the event takes place, must be refused for participation and will get 80% of the payments refunded.

In the case that the entire event is cancelled by EUSA and the OC, all payments will be refunded. In the case that the university delegation cancel their presence themselves the following refund policies apply:

- Cancellations made before 7 April: 100% refund
- Cancellations made before 22 April: 50% refund
- Cancellations made between 22 April and 22 May: 25% refund
- Cancellations made after 22 May: no refund

## Travel plan

Before visiting the Netherlands, it's important to be aware of the local COVID-19 measurements. Down below an overview of the basic rules in the Netherlands.

- Face masks are required for everyone aged 13 or over
- Stay at least 1.5 meters (2 arms lengths) away from other people.
- Disinfect your hands before entering a room or area
- Wash your hands often



# Before the event

- Do not give or accept a hand, kiss, hug, pat on the back or high five
- Use your own pens, paper documents, mobile phones, water bottles, without exchanging with others

See [Rules for sport and recreation](#) for more sport specific information.

To provide a safe EUCC, an event-specific bubble is created. This bubble will contain the athletes, officials, referees, LOC and others, and will be kept as separated as possible. This is necessary to guarantee the safety of all those involved with the event, but also to protect the local population of Nijmegen. Therefore, make sure to arrive on Monday 7 June. This is the only possibility for arriving. Passengers are required to wear masks at all times, whether traveling by general services or own transport. When travelling by plane or public transport, the Organising Committee (OC) will ensure that the delegations, after passport control and baggage claim, do not mix with other non-EUCC passengers. When travelling by car service, a health and temperature check will be required. Participants failing either of those checks will be transported in isolation. The passenger side of the car will be disinfected and vented after every transport. All passengers are registered for the purposes of contact tracing. The passengers are separated from the driver by a plastic screen.



# Before the event

## Event-specific preparations

1. During the days prior to visiting the event, please be aware of your social contacts. Preferably, limit your close contacts as much as possible. By “close contacts” we mean a contact of more than 15 minutes or more intense contact for a period less than 15 minutes.
2. Make sure to get a RT-PCR COVID-19 test in the days prior to arriving in the Netherlands. You have to bring a negative test result [no older than 72 hours] to get access to the Netherlands and to the event.
3. Make sure you have health insurance which, in addition to all adverse events, covers treatment with COVID-19.
4. Everyone must fill out a health questionnaire to provide information on the potential risk of spreading the infection. The Head of Delegation (HoD) must provide and send filled-in and signed health questionnaires by email to the OC one day before the arrival of the delegation for each person who is a member of the delegation. If the questionnaires are not submitted on time, EUCC 2021 and EUSA reserve the right to suspend accreditation and teams from the bubble.



# During the event

In addition to the basic rules, a set of event specific rules is composed. These rules apply when you enter the event bubble. This bubble is required to be able to guarantee the safety of all participants involved in the event. The Head of Delegation is in charge of monitoring and checking health on the delegation members. The HoD must report all suspicious cases to the OC.

## Rules for entering the bubble

Upon arrival everyone will be asked to sign the document 'Agreement EUCC 2021 COVID-19

Protocol' in which they agree to all conditions the organization has established for the

bubble. Participants will have to declare that they:

- Have no COVID-19 related symptoms or have experienced them in the last 24 hours

- Are not under quarantine or isolation measures determined by the authorities.

- Can show a negative test result of the RT-PCR test taken at most 72 hours earlier

- Will cooperate with the testing policy and the bubble.

If a participant refuses to

cooperate with the testing policy, that person will not be accepted into the

bubble and will be excluded from the event. Once you are out of the bubble,



# During the event

there is no possibility of re-entering and therefore no possibility to further participate.

Upon arrival in Nijmegen, all participants are obligated to undergo a rapid-test, provided by the OC. With a negative rapid test (15 minutes for results), a valid health questionnaire the person will be allowed to enter the bubble. Everyone in the bubble is kept as separate as possible until the results are in. Once those are confirmed negative by the medical director, the person is fully admitted to the bubble.

When a positive test arises, the OC, HoD and positive tested person have to get into action.

## HoD

- Contact and find the infected person
- Collect the complete and sign Contact Request Questionnaire (CRQ)
- Inform the rest of the delegation
- Check each member of the delegation for signs of infection
- Inform the Organising Committee and EUSA about the observed health status of the delegation
- Adhere to the measures proposed by the OC

## OC

- Inform the infected person where to go or where to stay
- Inform the infected person about the conditions of isolation



# During the event

- Provide isolation to those who are in close contact with an infected person in accordance. Isolation rooms will be designated by the OC's Athlete Manager
  - Continuously monitor the members of the delegation and report on their status until they leave the Netherlands or until they are tested
  - Observe evacuation/isolation restrictions
- In case of any symptoms:
- Report suspicion and symptoms to the Head of Delegation or the OC
  - Stay in your room or isolate yourself at the scene with the help of the organizer while performing an appropriate medical examination;
  - Fill in and sign the CRQ;
  - Observe evacuation/isolation restrictions;
  - Get tested immediately (at the expense of the OC).

The OC and EUSA will assess the situation continuously. In case of a large number of infections or isolation/quarantine cases among participants, the OC and EUSA Office will take appropriate measures.

## **Isolation/ quarantaine**

When EUCC guests are obligated to stay in the Netherlands after the last EUCC-day because they are in isolation, costs for accommodation are at their own expense. The OC is firmly committed to providing these guests with a reasonable deal.



# During the event

## Accreditation areas

The bubble involves keeping the public away as well as other volunteers of the event which are not part of the bubble. To enter the competition area, you must have the proper accreditation. This will only be granted if you have tested negative and have agreed to the 'Agreement EUCC 2021 COVID-19 Protocol'.

## Accommodation

All EUCC visitors are kindly requested to stay at their accommodation as much as possible. The OC will make sure that stay is as pleasant as possible by providing every accommodation with a separated EUCC-only outdoor space or other facilities. Taken into account that there are different types of available accommodations, facilities per accommodation will vary.

To avoid contact with employees of the accommodation, which aren't included in the bubble, all direct contact will be with the OC's athlete manager or coordinator

accommodations. If direct contact with the accommodation is necessary, this will happen by phone. All accommodations offer an indoor or covered place to store bikes safely, since these places are locked or secured. These will be secured by human security or camera security.

The athletes are requested to bring a padlock/ key lock to personally double secure their bikes. Bringing bikes into the accommodation isn't allowed.





# During the event

## Training facilities

During the week it is permitted to train outside on a bicycle. This is allowed in groups of up to four riders. It is important to keep as much distance as possible from the outside world at all times to protect the bubble. Busy places, such as the centre of Nijmegen, should be avoided. Upon arrival, areas will be indicated where training on public roads is allowed.

Riders are asked to stick to these areas for the sake of preserving the bubble.

## During competitions

Together with the Dutch Cycling Federation (KNWU) and the local authorities, there are various options for organising the races in a safe and COVID-proof manner.

Once participants enter the start area, it is allowed to take off the mouth mask. This applies only to the riders, not to other members of the delegations. During the race, the participants do not have to respect the rule of social distancing of 1.5 meters, both from each other as from medical or technical staff provided during the race. These medical and technical supervisors are however required to use protective equipment such as mouth mask and disinfectant at all times. After crossing the finish line, participants are required to put back on their mouth masks as soon as possible.



# After the event

For travelling to the country of origin after the event, a RT-PCR test and travel certificate may be required. For example when travelling by plane. The necessity of these documents depend on developments concerning COVID-19 and travelling in due time. When RT-PCR tests are needed, they are scheduled by the organization, but will be at your own expense. This test will cost 125 euros.