

Czech junior open 2022 – Covid rules

- **Vaccination certificates** – Those of you who are fully vaccinated need to send them to forter@czechsquash.cz before your travel. **It is mandatory for anybody over 18 years** to have an official government issued certificate proving you are fully vaccinated with EU approved vaccine or certificate confirming you had covid in the last 6 months. Without this anybody over 18 years of age (players, coaches, parents, ...) will not be allowed to enter the venue (same applies for hotels, restaurants, ...).
- **Pre-travel PCR test – This is mandatory for everyone.** It doesn't matter whether you are vaccinated or not (those under 18 years doesn't have to be) you need to do PCR test less than 72 hours before your travel and send the negative test result to forter@czechsquash.cz. Please send your results in advance before you travel. It is very important as we will be very busy with antigen testing everyday in the morning and having to check your PCR test results will make it much slower and would cause delays which nobody wants.
- **Passenger locator form – Everybody** coming to Czech republic has to fill in the Passenger locator form. You can find it here: <https://plf.uzis.cz/>. It is usually checked at the airport and it can be randomly checked at the borders if you are coming by car, bus or train. Please have this either on your phone or printed. Maybe it is better to have both as sometimes it is better to have a paper copy as well.
- **Respirators** – It will be mandatory to wear **FFP2** or similar respirators anywhere indoors with the exemption of playing the match or warming up for it and eating food. This applies to the shuttle buses and public areas in the hotel as well.
- **On-site antigen testing** – There will be **daily antigen testing for everybody** (this includes coaches and parents as well). The event starts with the dinner on Thursday for those who ordered it. It will be served in Hector Sport Centre. There will be shuttle bus going between the hotel and Hector in the evening on Thursday. Before you get on the shuttle bus from the hotel you need to do the test. There will be an assigned place in the hotel where you can do your test. When the test result is negative you will receive the wrist band. This will allow you to get on the shuttle bus and go to the venue. It will not be possible to get on the bus without the wrist band (i.e. without the test). Those of you who did not book the hotel packages can do the test in the venue. There will be allocated area near the entrance to the club where the tests will be done. Again after the negative test results you will be given the wrist band. You will only be able to enter the venue to get the dinner with the wrist band. From Friday there will be daily tests arranged every day in the morning in the hotel again for those staying there. You need to do the test before you go to breakfast in the hotel. Those not staying in the tournament hotel can do their daily test at any venue from the three (Hector, SBC, Squashpoint).
- **Rules when someone tests positive** – When someone tests positive he/she can unfortunately no longer be a part of the tournament. He/she needs to do a **confirmation PCR test**. We will be able to do the confirmation PCR test on-site immediately. It will be

taken to the lab and the result should be ready in 3 hours. Everybody will need to pay for this PCR test. The price of this express test is 2500 CZK. Before the PCR test result come the person need to isolate in the hotel room. The tournament hotel has an assigned part of their capacity for such an event. If you are making your own arrangements your hotel should have the same but it is up to you to check this. **When the person is tested positive (confirmed by PCR test) he/she needs to quarantine for 5 days** when he/she is without symptoms. If the person has got symptoms he/she needs to quarantine for at least 2 days after symptoms disappear.

- **Close contacts** – Same rules as for the positive tested person apply also for identified close contacts. **Close contacts need to quarantine as well as the positive tested without symptoms for 5 days.** There is no exception from this rule. It is not possible to get out of this quarantine with a negative PCR test result. Anybody who was in contact with positive tested person (smaller than 2 metres) for longer than 5 minutes without respirator from the previous evening till the time of the test will have to stay in 5 days quarantine. This would typically be the person who is sharing a room with positive tested person or shared a table during the dinner or breakfast with positive tested person or shared a car without the respirator with positive tested person. Player who played a match with positive tested person the previous day will not be considered a close contact.
- **Rules for coming back home after quarantine** – When the person has to stay in the quarantine **medical authorities will assess every case and decide whether they will allow such a person to travel home.** They would agree to this typically when player is tested positive, is at the tournament with his/her parents and arrived by their own car. In such a case medical authorities would allow such a person to leave Czech republic and go home. It is their responsibility to get in touch with medical authorities in their country to agree the next steps. Typically such a person should stay in 5 days' quarantine at home. **People who are in the quarantine and are supposed to come back home by public transport (bus, train, plane) will not get the possibility to go home earlier and will need to stay in quarantine in Prague at their own cost.**
- **Rules in the hotel, in the venue and in the shuttle buses** – Basic rules we all know very well from the last two years. Social distancing, Hand sanitizing. Respirators everywhere. Trying to stay in the same groups all the time without mixing with others too much. Using the same car for the same group of people. Eating food in a small groups or even better alone to minimize a chance of close contact with the positively tested person.

We all simply need to be very careful and very respectful of the others. Everybody should behave in a way which minimizes a risk of getting infected or infect the others. When we all do this the chance the tournament can be run successfully will be higher. I believe you all understand this and that everybody will do their small part for us to be able to run the tournament successfully till the end. I know this way the tournament will not be as enjoyable as we are all used to from pre-covid days. We will not be able to socialize in the evenings or during the days but at the moment this is the only way.