

# Oetztaler Mountainbike Festival 2021

Racing

# **COVID 19 Prevention Concept**





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## 1. General

The following COVID-19 prevention concept was updated on February 20th, 2021 on the basis of the restrictions / emergency measures of the Austrian Federal Government. The present COVID-19 prevention concept also contains the relevant points from the recommendations of the UCI, in coordination with the sports regulations of the ÖRV. The prevention concept was created by the organizer in cooperation with the authorities.

The COVID-19 prevention concept is divided into three main areas:

- Competition preparation measures
- Measures to conduct the competition
- Post-competition measures

## 2. Competition preparation measures

#### 2.1 Approval Process

#### 2.1.1 Government approval

The implementation of events is only possible after approval by the Imst district administration. The request was submitted on January 27, 2021.

#### 2.1.2 Approva OeRV/UCI

Homologation by the UCI race director is mandatory for every event (risk assessment). This will be carried out in good time before the competition by the nominated UCI race director together with the organizer.

#### 2.1.3 Number of participants/limit of participants

The maximum number of participants is set at 200 participants per day, plus the trainers, supervisors and other people necessary for the implementation of the event.



#### 2.1.4 Announcement/Registration

In principle, online pre-registrations are accepted until April 12th, 2021, 8 p.m. Late entries are not possible.

In addition to the data required for the event, the first name, last name, exact address, telephone contact and email address of all athletes and supervisors are required in the registration portal. People who show symptoms or feel sick are not allowed to attend the event.

#### 2.2 Training organization team

All persons entrusted with the organization of the event will be made aware of the present COVID-19 prevention concept. The general hygiene rules (regular hand washing, do not put your hands in your face, cough or sneeze in the crook of your elbow or handkerchief) are observed and checked. The current rules are available online on the website of the Ministry of Social Affairs at www.sozialministerium.at, are announced several times on boards and are also pointed out by a moderator.

#### **COVID-19-Officer**

The COVID-19 officer supports the organizer in fulfilling his obligations and is jointly responsible for the implementation of the COVID-19 preventive concept. He serves as the primary contact person for the authority in the case of surveys of the contact persons in the context of a COVID-19 illness. However, the ultimate responsibility always rests with the organizer.

#### 2.3 Evidence of a negative test result

All participating athletes and supervisors require a negative test result for an antigen (valid for 48 hours) or a PCR test (valid for 72 hours). The test result must be brought to the registration by the athlete and supervisor and must be valid until the end of the event on April 17th or 18th..

- Specifically antigen test issued after April 15th, 5:00 pm or April 16th, 5:00 pm
- Specifically, the PCR test issued after April 14th, 5:00 pm or April 15th, 5:00 pm

For organizational and official reasons, on-site testing is not possible.





## 3. Measures to conduct the competition

#### 3.1 General

- Compulsory use of FFP2 masks and gloves for all persons who are in contact with athletes (helpers, race management, registration, start, finish, ...). Racing Team Haiming provides the FFP2 masks and gloves for the organization team. Athletes, supervisors and race directors have to bring their own FFP2 mask.
- All event staff will participate in the event with a negative 48 hour test.
- Disinfectants are made available in sufficient quantities for all those present and are available as a reserve in the race office.
- The event staff will be informed again about the hygiene and behavioral measures during meetings.
- The public toilets are cleaned regularly. This also applies to the pee boxes in the start / finish area.
- COVID-19 information with hygiene measures and information about COVID-19 will be displayed in the festival hall.
- In the start / finish area, the sound system keeps you informed about hygiene measures and distance rules.
- There will be hand disinfection at the registration, the entrances to the race and the toilets.
- Toilets are disinfected regularly.
- There will be no possibility to shower
- In the entire competition area, it will be guaranteed that the participating athletes, supervisors, trainers etc. keep a minimum distance of 2 meters.
- There will be no supporting program, no buffet and no seating.
- Spectators are not allowed.

On the route (circuit 3.2km or 4.2km) the distance rules apply there. People who are there in public and/or private areas are to be seen as passers-by for whom the general COVID rules apply.

#### 3.2 Training/Survey

The route may only be entered or driven on with the mounted start number and wristband.





#### 3.3 Registration/pick-up of start numbers

- The Haiming Racing Team will set up the registration path (car wash / Aus&Raus) so that the athletes and supervisors can follow a "one-way system" to register. A separate entrance and exit will be prepared for this.
- The "racing office" is located in a tent between the car wash and Aus & Raus. The race office may only be entered by race participants, supervisors, event employees, police and employees of the community or TVB and only with an FFP2 mask.
- Access regulations (20m<sup>2</sup> / person) and distance rules are observed.
- All athletes, supervisors and team members may only take part in the MTB race with a negative 48 hour test (see point 2.3). The test result is checked when the start number is issued in the race office and all tested persons are marked with control wristbands.
- The data of all participants will be kept for 30 days by the responsible data protection officer in compliance with all data protection regulations.
- The names of cyclists and supervisors who are registered with an Austrian license can be verified using the start list. The full contact details of foreign participants and supervisors are collected when registering online and kept for 30 days.

#### **3.4 Start of the competition**

- Each athlete prepares individually for the start of the competition in compliance with the distance regulations (warm-up procedure).
- Wearing an FFP2 mask is mandatory for everyone. Starters must wear an FFP2 mask up to 3 minutes before the start and immediately after arriving at the finish or leaving. There is no mask requirement during the race.
- • Only registered persons (wristbands) have access to the start-finish areas and the technical / feed zones (= event areas) at the individual races.

Trainers and supervisors are required to have either an ÖRV Bike Card or an ÖRV (trainer) license. You have to register in advance with your bike card number or UCI ID.

Only pre-registered supervisors without a license will be accredited on site for the races. These measures apply analogical to all participants.

#### **3.5** Crossing the finish line

- The athletes should not stay longer (no congratulations, shake hands, hugs, ...) in the finish area.
- The timekeeping chip is removed when leaving the finish area. A build-up of congestion is prevented by several locks.
- The number of people in the finish area is strictly limited. Only accredited organizational staff and incoming athletes are allowed in the finish area.



#### 3.6 Award ceremony

- The first three of each category will be honored at the award ceremony. The award ceremonies take place in the finish area immediately after each race. On the victory podium it is ensured that the distance can be maintained and that only the most necessary people are present. The athletes will take the prizes themselves.
- The prize money will be handed over to the first 10 of each category in the race office in an envelope at the end of the protest period.
- There is no physical contact; the 2-meter distance control must be provided. (No shake hands, no hugs).

#### 3.7 Media

- The approval of media representatives and photographers takes place via the Racing Team Haiming. All media representatives have to be accredited in advance and are then marked as such.
- The necessary data (first name, last name, exact address, telephone contact and email address) are recorded by the accredited media representatives.
- It is compulsory to wear an FFP2 mask in the entire competition area.
- During interviews, a minimum distance of 2 meters and organizational measures (FFP2 mask) prevent potential infections. In addition, any interviews will only be conducted outdoors.





## 4. Post-competition measures

#### Procedure in case of suspected cases

In the event of symptoms occurring, the following steps must be taken by the participating persons:

- A person with symptoms (= suspected case) will contact the race organizer
- Telephone information to the COVID-19 representative of Racing Team Haiming
- Imst contact by the COVID-19 officer with the responsible authorities, District Authority Imst, which subsequently coordinates the further measures.

# 5. Participant limit

A maximum of 200 participants per day are admitted in accordance with current regulations. Only athletes are included in this calculation. Spectators are not allowed, and this means that there is no mixing.

All participating athletes and supervisors either have a valid ÖRV-year license or an international UCI racing license. ALL participating athletes and supervisors are registered. Race directors and organizational staff (e.g. marshals, paramedics, ...) are not included in the total number of participants.