



Uppsala 2020-12-04

COVID-19 regulations for Victor Swedish Open 2021

The COVID-19 regulations have been drawn-up to prevent the spread of COVID-19 during Victor Swedish Open 2021. They are based on [Safety guidelines for Badminton Europe Confederation sanctioned tournaments](#) and are put together in collaboration with the police authority, the county administrative board and infection control doctors in the Uppsala region. The aim of the COVID-19 regulations is to ensure a safe competition for everyone involved. If you are unsure about what is being asked of you at any point, please speak to a member of the organizing team.

General rules

During the Victor Swedish Open 2021, 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 Green zone (see below) 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.

Accreditation

Apply for accreditation via [this link](#), and send your photo to info@swedishopen.se no later than 7 January 2021. Accreditation is required for

- Players
- Leader
- Referee
- Umpires
- Officials on the floor and in the match control

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

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

Accommodation

All participants must stay at the Arena Hotel. The Arena Hotel shall primarily be reserved for practitioners. The arena hotel is preferably booked nationally by the federations via email to reception@arenahotellet.se





If the Arena Hotel is fully booked, suitable groups will be placed in another hotel where food is served in rooms that are separate from other hotel guests and with "secured" COVID-19 transport between the hotel and the arena.

Transport/Travel information

The Arena Hotel and the venue are within walking distance (approx. 150 meters)

Transport from and to Arlanda will take place with buses for Victor Swedish Opens participants. The buses are available for transport from Arlanda on Tuesday 19 January and Wednesday 20 January from 10:00 to 20:00. Transport will only be carried out during these hours. Transportation request is registered nationally no later than January 7 2021 together with the accreditation application via [this link](#). The buses are available for transport to Arlanda on Saturday 23 January from 10:00 to 20:00 and Sunday 24 January from kl. 10:00 to 16:00. Outside these hours, transport arrangements can't be guaranteed by the tournament organizer and has to be arranged individually.

Entry into Sweden

Entry to Sweden from countries outside the EEA area and Switzerland requires a certificate from the organizer stating the persons participation in the elite sports competition, Victor Swedish Open. Apply for the certificate in the [accreditation application](#) no later than 7 January 2021

Tests

All participants must be PCR tested for COVID -19 before arrival. The test must not be more than 96 hours on arrival. The test result has to be documented via a doctor's certificate and emailed to info.swopen@gmail.com no later than 24 hours before arrival. A new test will be performed upon arrival in Uppsala. The test (EUR 70 per test) is paid for by the individual or the federation to which the individual belongs and is paid together with the entry fee. The schedule for testing will be based on arrival time to Uppsala / Arlanda. State your arrival time in the accreditation application no later than 7 January 2021.

After testing, the person will be quarantined in their hotel room until a negative test result is received. The test is analyzed within a maximum of 8 hours. Accreditation is approved after a negative COVID-19 test result and the person is welcome to the Green zone.

To avoid any delay of the tournament due to COVID-19 testing, all participants must be on site at the hotel in Uppsala at least two days before their first match. This means that qualifiers must arrive at the hotel no later than 15:00 Tuesday 19 January 2021 and players in the main draw no later than 15:00 Wednesday 20 January 2021.

Testing will be carried out on all participants, leaders and officials who will have access to the Green zone.

During the tournament, decisions about new tests can be made by the tournament physician if.

- Individual has elevated body temperature
- Individual shows symptoms
- Person with whom the individual has associated with has tested positive or shown symptoms.

When receiving a positive test result, the individual is responsible for placing himself / herself in quarantine in the hotel room to avoid passing on the infection. The individual may not stay in the Green zone during the isolation and meals must be ordered to the hotel room. Quarantine will be maintained until receiving a negative COVID-19 test.





It should be noted that it is the individual or the federation to which the individual belongs who is liable for payment of any additional costs that a suspected or confirmed positive case entails.

Green zone

A so-called Green zone is established during the tournament. To gain access to the Green zone an accreditation badge is required. Persons with accreditation to Green Zone has the right to move within the defined area but may not subsequently stay outside the designated area. Persons accredited for access to the Green zone will use a separate entrance to the IFU Arena. Everybody included in the Green Zone will have their temperature checked upon arrival to the competition venue. In case of signs of elevated body temperature, the tournament physician will be contacted to approve or refuse entry to the Green zone.

Green zone includes the following areas:

- Arena Hotel's dining room and lounge
- IFU Arena's main venue and practice hall
- Secluded restaurant in the main venue
- Players/coaches will have their own dedicated space in the stands

Visits to grocery stores or other shopping places in Uppsala are NOT allowed for the people who are part of the Green zone. Visits to sports facilities outside the Green zone are also not permitted, which also includes IFU Arena's gym. However, it is free to stay outdoors provided that distance is kept to others.

The IFU Arena

Social distance of at least 1 meter should be kept between everybody in the IFU Arena.

Players and coaches should arrive to the venue maximum 60 minutes before their match and go back to the hotel as soon as all their matches are over.

The changing rooms at the venue will be closed, which means that changes and showers will take place in the hotel room.

From 12.00 on Wednesday and throughout the competition, practice courts will be available in the training arena. More information and booking of practice courts is found at the official website, www.swedishopen2021.se

Meals

For people who are part of the Green zone, the Arena hotel restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner and in the IFU Arena there is a separate restaurant that is part of the Green zone where lunch and dinner are served. Participants are referred to these two restaurants during the competition as they are part of the Green zone.

Since visits to grocery stores and other shopping places in Uppsala are NOT allowed for the people who are part of the Green zone a temporary store will be available at the main venue where among other things, water, drinks, fruit and snacks can be purchased.

Audience

The tournament is currently planned to be held without any audience. If the current COVID-19 restrictions is revoked before the start of the tournament, the possibility of taking in an audience at the competition will be assessed in consultation with the police and the local authorities.





Summary

A Green zone will be established during the tournament consisting of the Arena Hotel's restaurant and lounge, the main venue, the practice hall, a separate restaurant and a temporary store in IFU arena as well as separated space in the stand section.

Accreditation is mandatory to enter the green zone and is only approved for persons receiving a negative COVID-19 test on arrival.

Persons with Green Zone accreditation have access to the areas above and can also to stay outdoors if distance is kept to others.

It is not permitted to stay outside of the designated areas when access to the Green zone has been granted.

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

In addition to these guidelines, the "BEC COVID-19 guidelines" must also be followed during the competition.

Important dates

December 22: Last day for registration (16:59 CET)

January 4: Last cancellation day (11:59 CET)

January 5: Draw

January 7: Last day for booking transport

January 7: Last day for accreditation and entry certificates

January 8: Last day for payment of registration fees

January 19: Players in qualifying draw - latest arrival time to Uppsala at 15:00

January 20: Players in the main draw - latest arrival time to Uppsala at 15:00

January 20: Team managers meeting

January 21: Start Victor Swedish Open

