

MEDIA COVID-19 GUIDELINES

18 August 2020

Please note that all events will be organized following the World Triathlon COVID 19 Guidelines for event organisers, as well as the local regulations from the local health authorities on each country/city where the event takes place.

Also consider that the event will look different to what we all are used to, as some of the measures will have an impact on how the event looks like. Here are the measures that will affect the media:

- Temperature checks will be done for accessing the venue, and no access will be allowed to anyone with high temperature, or symptoms of COVID.
- A medical certificate for COVID 19 outbreak from a medical doctor along with a negative PCR test no later than 48h before arrival to the event, will be mandatory for all World Triathlon media staff with access to the Field of Play or Mixed Zone (World Triathlon Media Team, LOC Photographers and Broadcasters' team involved with the athletes' interviews.) Any photos on the FOP and any athletes' interviews will be done only by the World Triathlon Media Team and distributed to media afterwards.
- All accredited media, including photographers and cameramen, will have to wear a mask at all times when inside the venue
- World Triathlon will not facilitate any interviews with athletes before or after the event, so that athletes don't have to be in close contact with any external media personnel. Athletes can do it at their discretion, preferably in open air spaces
- In the case of a pre event press conference:
 - If it cannot be avoided, it should be as short as possible
 - Involve a minimum number of personnel, guests and media
 - Host outdoors (if possible)
 - Maintain social distancing
 - The athletes should be invited one by one to the head table
 - Everyone attending the press conference should be invited to wash hands before entering the area
 - The use of face covering should be required if the press conference is taking place indoors and recommended if it is taking place outdoors
 - The microphone should be placed in front of the athletes and not touched by them. it should be disinfected between interviews.

- Any journalist that wishes to address a question to the athletes and the need of microphone is needed, the journalist must disinfect their hands before receiving the microphone and keep the face covering on.
- Photo positions will be available at the finish line, start and some other specific areas. Access will be restricted to one person per media outlet. Access will be determined by the space available, considering that a minimum of 1,5m distance has to be kept at any time.
- World Triathlon and the LOC will have at least one photographer with access to the Field of Play. Images will be distributed for free to all media requesting it
- If a Media Center is set, all media should keep masks while working. A minimum of 2m distance between each table/chair is needed.
- Access to the Mixed Zone will be limited to World Triathlon Media Team and host broadcasters. Microphone has to be protected and cleaned after each interview. Journalist and cameraman have to keep at least 1.5m distance with the athlete and wear face covers and face shields. World Triathlon will receive petitions of interviews and will try to accommodate all demands with the World Triathlon media team, to be distributed for free to media.