

Artistic and Rhythmic Gymnastics World Championships 2021 Kitakyushu



COVID-19 Protocol

Arrival, Departure and Stay in Kitakyushu Part I

1. Entry into Japan and activity restriction

Main points for quarantine after arrival

a. Before your travel

- Monitor your health daily for the 14 days before arrival in Japan
 - Take and record your temperature daily
- If you experience any symptoms of COVID-19 in the 14 days before arrival
 - Do not travel to Japan
 - Consult with a medical professional for next steps
 - Inform the LOC

Please download necessary apps required for your stay in Japan to your smartphone or tablet. At the arrival airport, you will be checked if you have already downloaded necessary apps at the time of immigration.

- Apps required to download:
 - MySOS (Health and Location Monitoring App)
 - Location information App (Google Maps)
 - COCOA (COVID-19 Contact Confirming App)

To download, please refer to below for details (Ministry of Health and Welfare website).

Japanese: https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/0000121431_00250.html

English: <https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/000806890.pdf>

Chinese: <https://www.mhlw.go.jp/content/000806903.pdf>

Negative test certificate of a test taken within 72 hours of departure

One of the following test methods listed below must be taken within 72 hours before departure and obtain a negative certificate. Bring the negative test certificate and show it at the immigration on your arrival (Attachment)

- RT-PCR
- LAMP
- Quantitative antigen test

b. Entry into Japan

Necessary documents required for entering Japan are as follows:

Each participant entering Japan should bring their own documents. The documents

should be placed in your carry-on baggage for use at the immigration. Please be ready to submit them as soon as you arrive in Japan.

- Negative Certificate (Prescribed test method and format)
- Written Pledge (for organization, provided by the LOC)
- Written Pledge (for individual, provided by the LOC)
- Activity plan after arrival (provided by the LOC)
- List of eligible persons (provided by the LOC)
- Three apps and etc.

i. On your arrival

When you get off the plane, you will be welcomed by staff holding the event logo. Please follow the guidance of the staff. Do not proceed with the immigration procedures on your own.

ii. COVID-19 test at airport

Participants must follow the followings:

All international participants must take a COVID-19 test at quarantine station in the airport on your arrival and wait for the result in the designated area.

The Japanese health authorities conduct the test and there is no room for the opinions of the LOC or the subject being tested to be taken into account regarding the test results. For this reason, no complaints or requests for retesting will be accepted.

If your test the COVID-19 positive, you will be sent to a designated hotel or hospital for treatment under the direction of the Japanese health authorities. No requests including hotel rooms will be accepted.

Those who test positive are not allowed to participate in the event. After the treatment period is over, they will be sent home.

Close contact of someone with a confirmed positive test

If anyone is tested positive at the airport quarantine, anyone who are regarded as possible close contact to that positive case will be temporarily quarantined. - In case you are regarded as a possible close contact person, please follow the instruction of the airport staff. In some cases, it may be discovered that a person is a possible close contact after traveling to the host city not at the airport.

The public health center will make a comprehensive judgment, including interviewing people who may have been in close contact with someone with a confirmed positive test about how they spent their time on the airplane, to determine if they are regarded as the close contact.

If you are identified as a close contact person, you will not be allowed to participate in the Championships and will stay at the hotel until the waiting period is over, and then return home.

The FIG and LOC need to respect the decision of the public health center and any complaints from a person who are identified as a close contact person are not accepted.

For this reason, we recommend that participants wear masks at all times and take all possible precautions to prevent infectious diseases, even on the airplane before entering Japan.

- iii. Submission of a “Written Pledge” to the airport quarantine station at your arrival
The LOC submitted the Government of Japan (GOJ) the activity plans of all international participants during their stay in Japan, including a means of domestic transportation, to obtain an approval from the GOJ. The international participants must sign this “Written Pledge” in which they declare strictly adhere to the activity plans, and submit the pledge to the airport quarantine station.

- iv. Show the quarantine officer apps downloaded before your departure
 - MySOS (Health and Location Monitoring App)
 - Location information App (Google Maps)
 - COCOA (COVID-19 Contact Confirming App)

c. Moving from the airport of entry to Fukuoka / Kitakyushu airport

International participants who are proved to be negative will be escorted by the LOC staff to a connecting flight while maintaining physical distance with unspecified number of ordinarily passengers.

Period of 14 days after your arrival

- i. All international participants are not allowed to go to the places except designated in the activity plan, and also not allowed to use the public transportation.
Note: LOC will prepare a means of transportation between the airport of entry and Kitakyushu city as well as official hotels and the competition venues.

- ii. Use apps you downloaded before entering Japan in order to record health reports and location information. COCOA needs to be always-on.
 - MySOS (Health and Location Monitoring App)
 - You will receive a notification to check your health condition once every day.
 - When receiving the notification, report your health condition in the app.
 - You must answer incoming video calls from the Health Monitoring Center to verify that you are staying at the registered location

 - Location Information App (Google Maps)
 - Required to provide your location history to health authorities to track possible exposures in the event you become COVID-19 positive. Make sure to save your location history.

 - COCOA (COVID-19 contact confirming app.)
 - An app to notify you of possible contact with someone who is COVID-19 positive.
 - You are required to set the app always-on during your stay in Japan.

- iii. Participants should keep a daily log of the people they have come into contact with, by date, time, and location, so that it can be submitted immediately when requested by the LOC or health department.

- COVID-19 test before your departure

If you need to take the COVID-19 test before your departure, please confirm the required test details, timing of the test, and the format of the negative certificate required by your country.

The pre-return test booth(es) will be set up outside the competition facility. The LOC will explain the details about the pre-departure test upon your arrival -including how to access URL. This process is expected for you to access the URL, make an appointment for the test, and take the test at the test booth on the appointed day.