

COVID 19 Guidelines for International and National events held at the Dubai Autodrome

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Introduction

Coronavirus (COVID 19) pandemic has shown the World how quick our livelihoods and lifestyles can change. It has also made the human race pay more attention to crucial aspects of self-hygiene and well-being to prevent infection. Most infected people experience mild to moderate disease symptoms; however, those with the underlying chronic disease may develop severe life-threatening conditions leading to death in some cases. https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab_1

These guidelines aim to mitigate the risk of infection by protecting everyone visiting at the Dubai Autodrome during National and International Motorsport Events. The compliance of these guidelines is vital in creating a sense of “normality” while at the Venue.

The guidelines are sourced from:

1. Appendix S of the 2021 International Sporting Code.
2. Emirates Motorsports Organization (EMSO) “Return to Race Guidelines” – Updated as of 15/10/2020
3. Recommendation and guidelines for the reopening of Sports Venues in the Emirate of Dubai from Dubai Health Authority, Dubai Sports Council, Dubai Police and Dubai Municipality
4. Dubai Autodrome COVID-19 Infection Control Policy and Procedures

These guidelines will be kept under review and may be amended from time to time to ensure their effectiveness as this pandemic evolves rapidly from day-to-day.

Guidelines

With the United Arab Emirates motorsport season fast approaching including National and International Events, it is our responsibility to mitigate the risk of transmission to an acceptable degree thus providing a safe sporting environment for everyone at the Venue. Non-compliance of the COVID-19 Guidelines and Infection Control Policy and Procedures may lead to access to the Venue been denied and exclusion from the Event. Please **NOTE** the UAE laws and regulations takes precedence while visiting Dubai Autodrome.

Applicable to:

- I. EMSO
- II. Dubai Autodrome / Kartdrome Personnel, Volunteers and others attending on behalf of the Organizer
- III. Motorsport Event Organizers
- IV. Promoters
- V. Competitors and Teams
- VI. Media personnel and organizations
- VII. Suppliers of products and services
- VIII. Outsourced Medical and Ambulance Personnel
- IX. Spectators

It is the responsibility of each Team Manager and each Organization representative to ensure all members/employees of its organization:

- Are familiar with the protocol and its modifications before their first appearance on site.
- Adhere to the Protocol at all times during the Event

PART A - Medical Guidance

Fit-to-Attend – Means that all attendees have no COVID-19 symptoms or risk factors and are fit-to-attend the Event. All Attendees (Profile 1 and Profile 2) **MUST** wear a face mask and will undergo mandatory Infrared Forehead Temperature screening to rule out fever at the entrance of the Venue.

Symptoms include but not limited to, the following:

- I. Fever
- II. Cough with shortness of breath

- III. Fatigue
- IV. Headache
- V. Running nose
- VI. Sore Throat
- VII. Loss of sense of smell and taste
- VIII. A skin rash
- IX. Discoloration of fingers and toes

Fit-to Attend **MUST**:

- I. Present Proof of complete vaccination (event date minimum 14 days since the last injection, checked through Al Hosn App / DHA App). For attendees coming from other countries: a government-approved vaccination proof/card is required.
- II. OR have undergone one Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Test by an approved test provider maximum 96 hours before arriving at the Venue and provide a negative test result (ideally through Al Hosn App or other certificate from origin country as printout).
- III. OR Certificate of previous infection (not less than four weeks and not more than six months from event date) ** Attendees from Countries that have not rolled out their vaccination programme and aligned with the precautionary measures of the DSC.

Once fit-to-attend is determined, the Dubai Autodrome will provide attendees with the means to observe appropriate mitigating measures. These include social distancing (at least 2 meters), hand-washing hygiene, face masks (change every four hours) and alcohol-based hand sanitizers.

Any non-compliance of these Guidelines **MUST** be reported to the Dubai Autodrome COVID delegate without delay. All Attendees (Profile 1 and Profile 2) **MUST** follow mitigating procedures by regular hand washing, using alcohol-based hand sanitizer, observe one-way pedestrian systems, floor marking to facilitate social distancing (at least 2 meters) and wear a face mask. If the attendee deliberately or repeatedly breaches these guidelines and the Dubai Autodrome COVID delegate may consider emitting the Attendee from/or denies any further access to the Event, the Dubai Autodrome COVID delegate shall submit a report to the Stewards. They shall proceed in accordance with Article 11.9 of the International Sporting Code. The only exception is when social distancing would jeopardize safety. In these circumstances, the Attendee in question is temporarily not required to observe social distancing but must wear a face mask (unless superseded by a balaclava and full-face helmet covering the eyes, nose and mouth) and should complete the task in question as quick and safe as possible.

All used facemask and other personal protective equipment must be disposed of in the close medical waste containers located throughout the Venue.

The decision by the Dubai Autodrome COVID delegate to emit the Attendee from / or to deny access to the Venue based on an assessment that the Attendee is or may be infected is **FINAL** for the safety of everyone at the Venue. An Attendee already admitted to the Venue begins to present with symptoms of COVID-19 must report immediately to the Dubai Autodrome COVID delegate or proceed to the on-site Medical Center. These Attendees will be isolated at the COVID-19 Ward located at the Medical Center and will be managed in accordance with the current Dubai Health Authority guidelines commencing with a PRC test.

While these guidelines are designed to reduce the risk of transmission, the Dubai Autodrome and the Attendees acknowledge that it is not possible to eliminate the threat. Each Attendee assumes the risk of infection and the consequences thereof and (in accordance with Article 1.1.3 of the International Sporting Code) agrees (on his/her behalf, and behalf of his/her estate, heirs, successors and assigns) that the Dubai Autodrome and its directors, officers, employees, agents and officials shall bear no liability in respect of any illness or fatality unless it is proven that the illness and fatality was suffered as a result of the Dubai Autodrome's willful misconduct or gross negligence

PART B – Operational Guidelines

Access to the Paddock

The Paddock Area and Race Control are considered High-Density Area (as per ISC Appendix S, Article 3.5) and are therefore only accessible by registered Attendees (**Fit-to-Attend**).

- a. Paddock access will be controlled by the use of wristbands or another form of accreditation.
- b. A Negative PCR test or proof of vaccination must be carried at all times while at the venue.
- c. Dubai Autodrome reserves the right to check test results or proof of vaccination or PCR tests before individual enters the venue.
- d. Dubai Autodrome reserves the right to implement different categories of wristbands allowing access to different areas within the paddock (e.g. limited access to race control building).
- e. Each team or organization should appoint a representative in charge of collecting the accreditation for all their members.
- f. Wristbands will be allocated and handed out against submitted COVID-19 Health Screening & Risk Profiling Questionnaire.
- g. Media will be granted paddock access with media vest.
- h. Access to the pitlane might be restricted to certain personnel, media and team members only with appropriate accreditation only, depending on championships participating in the event.

Personal Movement

- a. Each person arriving at the Circuit and accessing the Paddock must go directly to his or her designated area.
- b. A system is in place to regulate the flow of pedestrians and promote social distancing as much as possible, and according to Dubai Government COVID-19 guidelines.
- c. Each person must remain in his or her work area as much as possible, and movement to another area should be limited if necessary, fulfil essential duties or if called by the race officials.

Room / Garage Occupancy

- a. Maximum capacity of each room is based on the Dubai Autodrome [Social Distancing – Room Matrix](#), according to Dubai Government COVID-19 guidelines.
- b. Maximum capacity for each room is marked by signage outside the room.
- c. Per garage bay, two cars or four bikes are allowed.
- d. Teams should be limited to essential staff only.

Catering

- a. Room Capacity will be monitored and restricted based on the Dubai Autodrome [Social Distancing – Room Matrix](#) according to Dubai Government COVID-19 guidelines
- b. All catering must be provided by Dubai Autodrome's catering partner, trained and licensed in providing catering according to the Municipality requirements and according to Dubai Government COVID-19 guidelines.
- c. Setup must follow social distancing guidelines (min. 3m between tables, a limited number of chairs per table)

Administrative checks

- a. Digital event sign-on is preferred.
- b. License copies (and start permission, where required) should be submitted to event organizer before the start to of the Event.
- c. Both documents must be sent to DAMC Secretary damcsecretary@gmail.com, copying Dominic Simon (dominics@dubaiautodrome.com).

Starting Grid and Pitlane

- a. Only essential team members are allowed to access pitlane and starting grid (with appropriate accreditation).
- b. Per car, ten team members will be allowed access to the grid (incl. driver).
- c. Wearing a mask is mandatory at all times by any person on the grid.

Podium

- a. It is the championship organizers responsibility to disinfect trophies before the start of the podium ceremony.
- b. All Recipients and support Attendees MUST wear facemasks while on the podium.

Race Control & Stewards Room

- a. Access to Race Control is limited to approved staff and Race Officials.
- b. Access cards to the race control room will be assigned by DA staff.
- c. All officials to remain in their assigned offices.
- d. Communication between officials should be electronically or by phone whenever possible.
- e. Electronic signature (or email approval) of results are recommended.
- f. All results should be posted on an Electronic Notice board.

- g. Competitors (Profile 1 Attendees) can only access the Stewards Room or Race Control when invited by Officials.

Media

- a. Only registered media will be allowed to attend the Event.
- b. Media Accreditation has to be submitted through <https://www.dubaiautodrome.ae/media/>
- c. Media Centre access will be limited to accredited media and based on room capacity.
- d. Media vest allows media to access paddock; pitlane access might be restricted.