



Best Practice Measures to Protect Public and Athlete Health at the Tokyo Olympics: Summary Table



PRINCIPLE	BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLE(S)
Put public health first	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish Covid-19 advisory committees that include player associations, sport Governing Bodies (SGBs) and a range of experts - GAA/GPA Have a 'plan-B' and measures that can be quickly adapted to respond to the changing public health situation - AFL/AFLPA Dedicated pre-event risk assessments with player associations and medical professionals to ensure protocols sufficiently rigorous – Women's cycling/TCA
Protect athletes from risks of harm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No waivers for players – MLB/MLBPA Full and comprehensive insurance for the entire period of training and competition, including for Covid-19 – NHL/NHLPA
Clearly defined responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe international travel including rigorous pre-departure testing; exclusive use of private transport; mandatory quarantine upon arrival at hotel facilities whilst maintaining access to training and gym facilities – international cricket/FICA Enhanced co-ordination and protections around fixturing and player load, including use of additional substitutions, mandatory rest periods and load management protocols – European football/FIFPRO
Effective testing, tracing and isolation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily RT-PCR testing, sometimes more - NBA / NBPA Provide wearable tech for tracking supported by dedicated SWAT teams for tracing - NFL / NFLPA Designated hotel isolation facilities with a proper level of care and comfort - various sports
Proper treatment and care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop tailored treatment and rehabilitation programs for positive Covid-19 cases – various sports Mandatory cardiac screening pre being certified fit for RTP – various sports Access to on the ground mental health support, network of counselling services and ongoing outreach with player development and wellbeing professionals – NZ Rugby / NZRPA
Easy access to effective PPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrange for the acquisition and distribution of medical grade face masks – WNBA / WNBPA
Athlete education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With player associations, develop easy to understand interactive materials, Q&A sessions and reiterate key messages throughout training and competition environments – NFL / NFLPA
Safe and secure life at the Games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide individual rooms, dedicated dining areas, modify means of travel and assess, communicate and enforce social distancing and capacity limits for all indoor environments – NBA/NBPA Proper ventilation - review and modify heating, ventilation, air conditioning systems to improve air circulation and outdoor airflow to all indoor spaces – NHL / NHLPA