



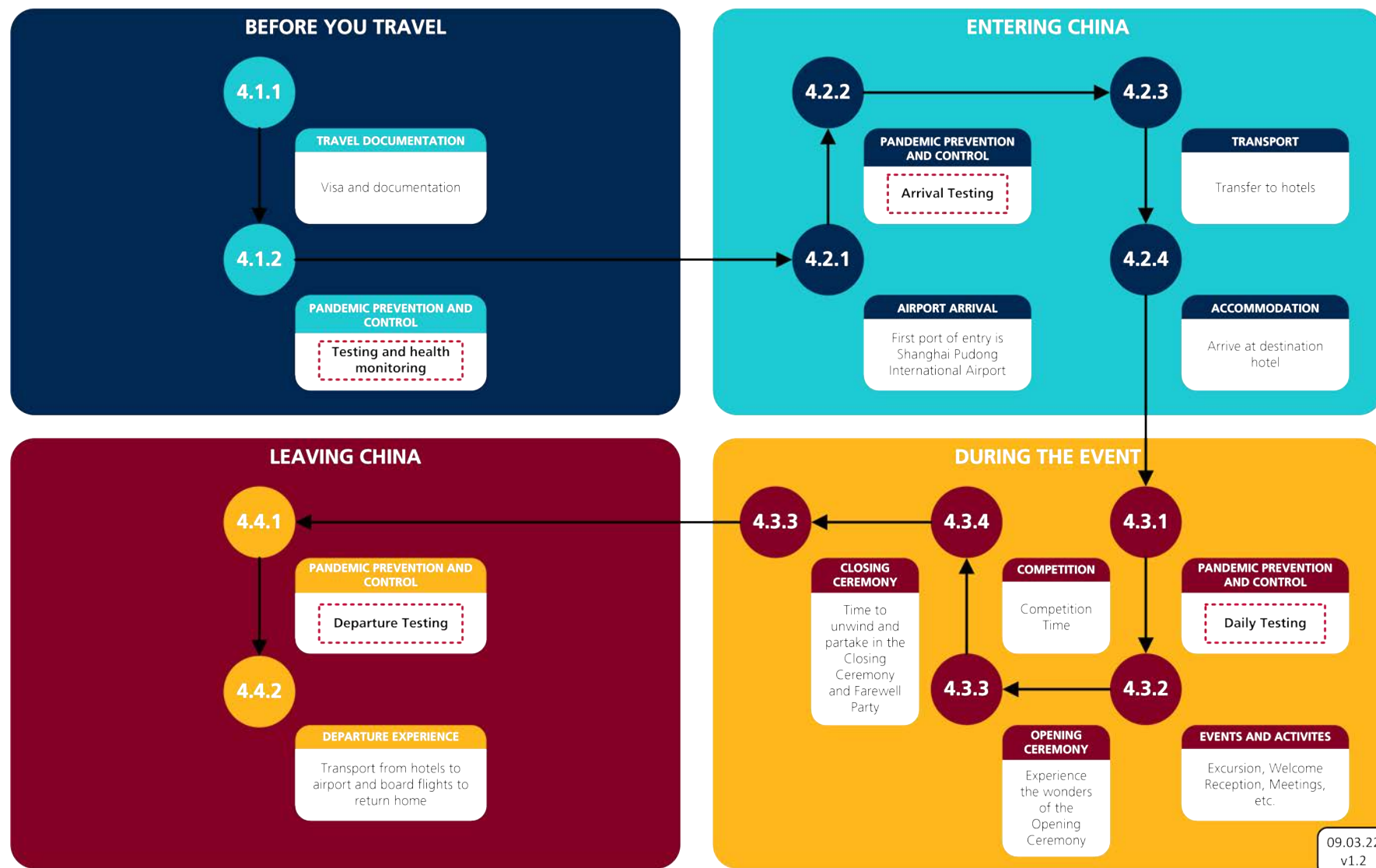
# Expert journey overview

*WorldSkills Shanghai 2022*

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# WSC2022 JOURNEY OVERVIEW



# 1 About this document

This document outlines the journey of the Experts in their preparations for, arriving, during and leaving Shanghai. The following information has been extracted and condensed from key documents (listed below) to provide succinct details for Experts to assist them in their decision to attend WorldSkills Shanghai 2022.

Where there is a discrepancy between this document and those listed below, the documents listed below prevail.

- **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19**
- **WSC2022 Package Brochure**
- **WSC2022 Closed Loop Management system Overview**

## 2 Introduction

WorldSkills Shanghai 2022 (WSC2022) will operate in a Closed Loop Management system which is based on the operational model of the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics. This creates a significant change to the Competition environment and all participants must understand how this may impact them and their decision to participate.

The document, the Journey Overview is divided into four distinct sections, Before You Travel, Entering China, During the Event, and Leaving China. Each section includes information about COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements and/or core activities.

## 3 Closed Loop Management System

WSC2022 will implement a Closed Loop Management system that allows participants to enter China without undergoing the compulsory 21-day quarantine, subject to participants being fully vaccinated (14 days or more before entering China).

The closed loop is expected to be in effect from C-11 until C+5 (to be confirmed).

Access to the closed loop is restricted as follows:

- Only registered participants with closed loop accreditation entitlements will be granted access. Participants are not allowed to leave the closed loop without permission.
- Temperature checks will be conducted at participant and staff entrances, logistics entrances, and transport malls.
- Public spaces and bedrooms will be cleaned and disinfected regularly.
- Signage about countermeasures will be installed in the closed loop, such as social distancing, keeping hand hygiene, and wearing face masks.
- Air conditioners and ventilation systems will meet Shanghai's COVID-19 protocols.
- Hand sanitizer and hand disinfectant will be available at entrances to all services and back-of-house spaces and crowded public places.
- Partitions will be installed on dining tables, and counters where participants might interact with the staff.
- The seating capacity will be reduced in dining halls, lounges, and entertainment spaces.
- Cleaning and disinfection will be reinforced in high-transit areas, including contact surfaces like elevator halls, elevator buttons, and partitions.

## 3.1 Think Hygiene

It is important to maintain good hygiene: regularly and thoroughly cleaning your hands, disinfecting surfaces, and avoiding touching your faces. Wear a face mask at all times in line with the WHO guidelines (<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/when-and-how-to-use-masks>):

- Make sure that it covers your mouth, nose, and chin.
- Clean your hands before you put your mask on, before and after you take it off, and after you touch it at any time.
- When you take off your mask, store it in a clean plastic bag. Fabric masks are not recommended.
- Don't use masks with a valve.

Please practice thorough hygiene measures as outlined throughout your stay in China:

- Properly wear a face mask at all times (KN95, N95, FFP2, or higher standard of protection recognized in your country/region of residence) without an inhalation valve (except when eating, drinking, sleeping, or alone).
- Wash your hands regularly and use hand sanitizer where possible.
- Avoid sharing items or disinfect them if necessary.
- Keep the rooms you are staying in regularly ventilated.

A detailed description of the Closed Loop Management System and safe hygiene practices will be in the **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

## 3.2 COVID Liaison Officer (CLO)

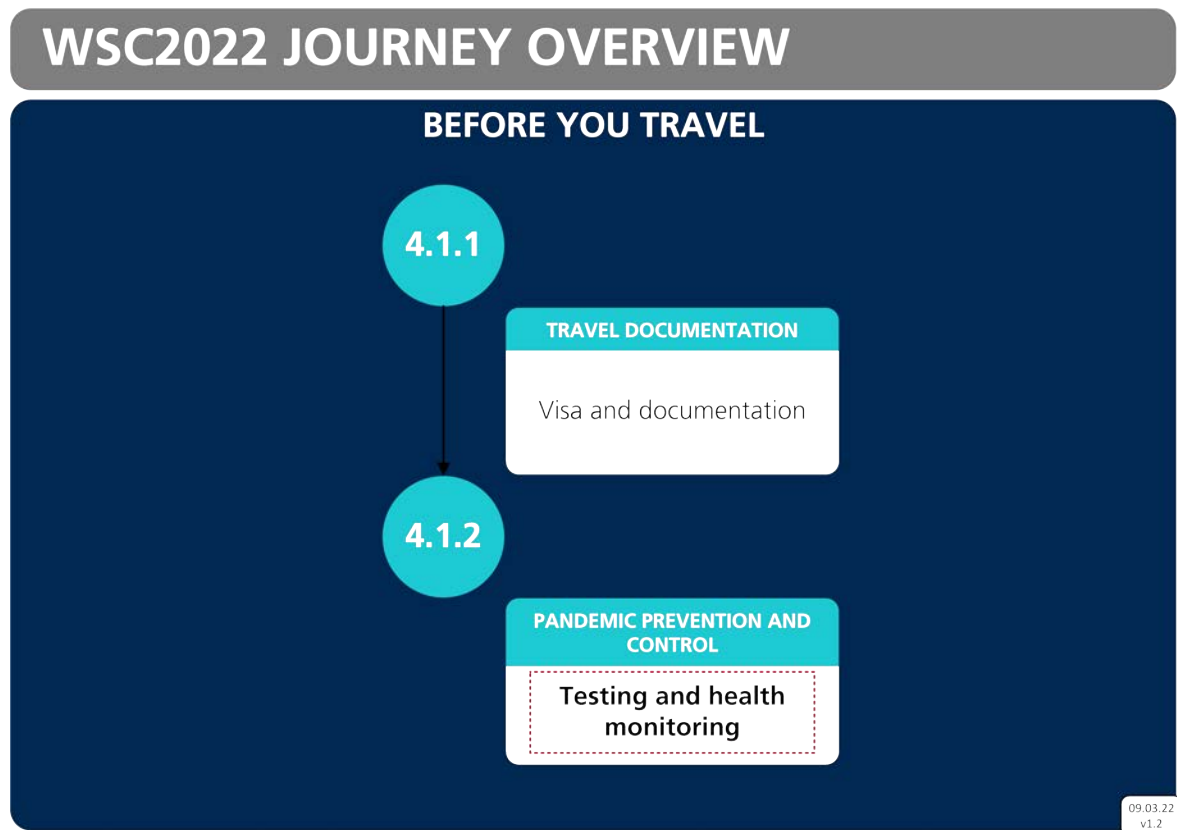
The role of COVID-19 Liaison Officer (CLO) has been introduced for WSC2022 and has been modelled from the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics. Each Member will have a CLO and you will be provided their details.

The CLO is a pivotal role in ensuring that all participants understand and adhere to the COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control protocols which will be outlined in the **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19** document.

Detailed information regarding the CLO position can be found in the **WSC2022 Prevention and Control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

## 4 Journey Overview

### 4.1 Before you travel



#### 4.1.1 Travel Documentation

##### Passport

All participants must have a valid passport with at least six months of validity and two blank pages to travel to China.

##### Visa

For most individuals to enter China, a visa is required. For individuals from most Member countries and regions there is a cost for the visa. Your organization will work you with to provide you with the relevant details.

#### 4.1.2 COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements

##### Vaccination

All participants must be fully vaccinated at least 14 days before coming to China. Vaccination requirements are determined by your country/region of residence or national health authority where the vaccine was administered. Full vaccination may be with one, two or three shots, depending on specific requirements, type of vaccine, and personal medical history.

### Testing and health monitoring

- Get tested and provide proof of negative results before your departure to China. You will be tested again upon arrival at Shanghai Pudong International Airport.
- Register on the "Healthcare Cloud" website (to be confirmed) and start to monitor and track your health condition daily for 14 days before your departure to China.
- Be aware of airline specific travel requirements such as wearing face masks throughout your flight.

### Health Declarations

You will need to present two sets of QR codes required by the Chinese authorities for travelling to China.

1. Green Health QR code
2. Customs Health Declaration code

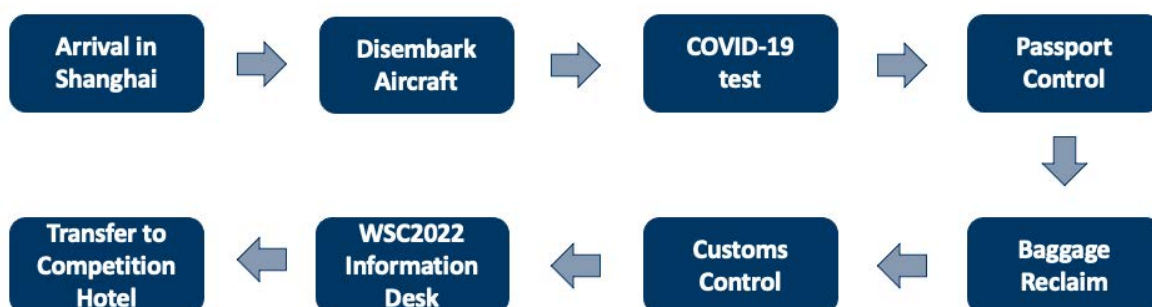
A detailed description of the **Before You Travel** process is in the **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

## 4.2 Entering China





### 4.2.1 Airport arrival



### 4.2.2 COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements

On arrival in Shanghai, customs staff will board the aircraft to speak with the flight crew and any passengers who have reported COVID-19 symptoms during the flight. Ground staff will then guide you to leave the plane. Note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements, this process may take longer than normal.

Customs staff will verify your customs health declaration form and your temperature will be checked with a non-contact thermometer. If your temperature is high (37.0 °C or higher), it will be checked again after a short break, using a mercury thermometer.

Be ready to show the following:

- Valid passport or other travel documents such as COVID-19 vaccination certificate;
- Valid visa supported by an invitation letter from WSS2022;
- Completed arrival card (provided to you on the aircraft or available on arrival).

#### PCR Test on arrival

1. A PCR test is taken on arrival
2. After you clear customs and immigration, you will be taken to your hotel or Accommodation Centre until you receive your PCR test result.

A detailed description of the **Entering China** process is available in the **WSC2022 Prevention and Control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

### 4.2.3 Transport

Following your arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel or Accommodation Centre. Experts will have dedicated transport between their hotel or Accommodation Centre and venues. Official vehicles will be branded appropriately to ensure priority access to the road.

Participants will only be able to utilize the closed loop transport system and cannot access outside transportation such as public transport and taxis.

### 4.2.4 Accommodation

Experts will receive an accreditation badge and welcome pack during the check-in process.

- You will be accommodated in a designated hotel or Accommodation Centre within the closed loop.
- You can move around freely in the designated areas in your hotel as long as you follow hygiene measures and comply with COVID-19 control protocols.
- Hotels and Accommodation Centres will provide housekeeping by appointment.



- Hotel and Accommodation Centre facilities such as gym and meeting rooms can be booked by phone.
- Hotels and Accommodation Centres will have convenience stores selling snacks, beverages, daily necessities, and face masks. Payments can be made using credit card or cash (Chinese Yuan – CNY).
- A standby service team will be available to address urgent requests, including running errands and buying supplies.

## 4.3 During the event



### 4.3.1 COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements

#### Health monitoring

- Monitor your personal health every day, including checking your temperature twice a day and uploading the record in the HMS. If you record a high temperature, or if you have any other COVID-19 symptoms, immediately inform your CLO for next steps;
- Temperature will be measured with a non-contact thermometer before entry into venues, hotels, and Accommodation Centres. If your temperature is high (37.3 °C or higher), it will be checked again after a short break, using a mercury thermometer.

#### Daily PCR testing

- In addition to tests taken before departure to and on arrival in China, you will be tested daily.
- Medical staff will take oropharyngeal (throat) swabs at sample collection sites at your hotel, Accommodation Centre, or other venues.

A detailed description of the **During the Event** process will be in the **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

#### 4.3.2 Events and Activities

##### Food and Beverage

- Food and beverages will not be available outside the closed loop.
- All meals will be provided at the hotel, Accommodation Centre, Competition venue or other official venues according to schedule – according to package inclusions.
- WSS2022 will aim to provide, where possible, convenience stores, vending machines, and other facilities in the Competition venue, hotels, and Accommodation Centres.
- Further information will be released closer to the competition.

##### Skill Out

Skill Out was introduced as a way for Experts to take a break from the workshop to relax in a social setting and network. The challenge in a closed loop is social distancing restrictions and therefore we are looking at ways to provide as many of the core elements in a COVID-19 environment. We are discussing whether Skill Out could take place near the dining area of the NECC or the Cultural Precinct.

##### Farewell Party

The Farewell Party will be held in the venue of the Closing Ceremony to celebrate the achievements of all Competitors.

##### Cultural precinct

Inside the closed loop it is our intention to provide a cultural precinct that will allow participants to experience the richness of Chinese culture and skills, by bringing China “into” the closed loop. Whilst these components are still under discussion, the cultural precinct could include, but not limited to, live traditional performances, arts and crafts, dragon dances, plate spinning and many others. Further details will be provided at a later date.

#### 4.3.3 Opening and Closing Ceremonies

WSS2022 are considering a number of venues that have adequate capacity to allow all Members, Partners, and Sponsors to attend.

WSS2022 and WSI are committed to delivering all essential elements of the ceremonies such as Sponsors present awards or gifts to competitors. Planning is underway for the ceremonies to be broadcast through live streaming for people in Shanghai and the rest of the world to watch.

#### 4.3.4 Skill competitions

1. All workshops have been designed to ensure COVID-19 prevention and control protocols and physical distancing measures (1 metres) as recommended by the WHO are incorporated. Noting that the physical distancing requirement of two metres applies outside the skill competition workshops as detailed in the **WSC2022 Prevention and control of COVID-19** document.
2. All personnel in workshops must wear approved PPE correctly as required by the skill competition and the pandemic prevention and control requirements.
3. Transparent partition walls may be installed at the perimeter fences of the workshops to ensure safe physical distancing between participants in the workshop and potential visitors not part of the closed loop.

4. All skill competitions will have a cleaning team stationed within the workshops to clean high touch areas, equipment, and tools in shared work areas.
5. All closed rooms and offices in the workshop will have maximum capacity limits (as recommended by the WHO) indicated at the entry of each closed area.
6. Skills requiring live models, actors, or guests are currently under review to determine how the skill competition can be conducted in the safest manner.

## 4.4 Leaving China



### 4.4.1 COVID-19 pandemic prevention and control requirements

1. Prior to departure Experts must obtain the Customs Health Declaration QR Code from the Health Monitoring System.
2. You will need to check what other documentation is required to board your aircraft to your home (or transit) country/region
3. It is important to monitor your health for 14 days once you return to your home country/region and inform WSS2022 if any symptoms are developed

A detailed description of the **Leaving China** process is available in the **WSC2022 Prevention and Control of COVID-19** document released 23 March.

### 4.4.2 Departures Experience

Experts will be transported from their hotel or Accommodation Centre on dedicated shuttles to Shanghai Pudong International airport to board departure flights. There will be staff on-site to assist with the airport check-in and departure process.