

VENUE

Specifications

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INTRODUCTION

As a standard these Venue Specifications refer to the requirements for a standalone FIH Hockey Men’s or Women’s World Cup and not for a joint event. While a standalone event may be played on solely one competition pitch, the following requirements also include the possibility of using two competition pitches. For this reason, requirements are often referred to as “per competition pitch”.

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1. FIELD OF PLAY (FOP)

1.1. Facilities

KEY SPACE SUB SPACE(S)	SIZE	QUANTITY	LOCATION	SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	FURTHER INFORMATION
COMPETITION FIELD	refer to 'FIH HOCKEY WORLD CUPS 2026 – Competition and training field specifications' document (available on FIH website)				
WARM-UP/TRAINING FIELD					
PITCH LIGHTING					
WATERING					
FENCING					
TECHNICAL OFFICIALS' BOOTH					
TEAM BENCHES					
EQUIPMENT TO BE SUPPLIED TO TECHNICAL OFFICIALS' BOOTH	-	1 per competition pitch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Located at the side of the pitch on the half way line (without interfering with spectators' view of the pitch) on the same side as the Team benches; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An appropriate working table 6 x 1m to accommodate laptop, printer and technical equipment; Have seats for 4 people at the table, with sides open for the Event Officials and the Reserve Umpire; Have electrical outlet points for computers and printers. 	The following equipment and documents must be available at the technical table: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 laptop computer (and 1 backup laptop) for TMS, a mouse and a linked printer plus a cover to prevent glare in case of sunshine; Internet connection (LAN incl. cable) for TMS;

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set back a minimum distance of the pitch run off (3m); • This can also be located in the grandstand, in line with the half way line, subject to FIH approval. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A back-up internet connection via a mobile 4G Wi-Fi USB (“dongle”) for TMS; • Scoreboard operation panel; • 3 stop watches; • 2 audible hooters (air horns); • 1 set of official warning cards (green, yellow and red) as used by the Umpires; • 2 spare whistles; • 4 captain's arm-bands or ribbons in different colours, and safety pins; • 2 stick control rings, 2 stick bow measurement devices and stick compliance stickers; • 1 set of gauges for goalkeepers’ leg and hand protectors; • 1 measuring device for outfield players’ hand protectors; • Container of non-acid disinfectant surface cleaner or an 80% alcohol solution and 3 pieces of cloth for cleaning blood-stains from the FOP; • Plastic gloves and waste disposal facility for use of personnel responsible for cleaning bloodstains from the FOP;

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stationery and pens/pencils; • 2 clipboards with covers; • A waste bin; • Copies of the Rules of Hockey and FIH Tournament Regulations (for information and reference).
EQUIPMENT TO BE SUPPLIED TO TEAM BENCHES				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical outlets and running water; • Stick storage box; • Waste bin. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screens to protect the bench from the watering system are recommended; • Table (3m²) for drinks and medical equipment; • In hot climates, industrial cooling fans are to be provided; • Preferably on same side as changing rooms.
CHANGING ROOMS ATHLETES	Minimum 36m ² per room	4 + 4 (competition and training pitch)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferably located within 25m of the FOP; • A secure area that is not accessible by the general public and media. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 36m² dry area; • Seating for a minimum of 24 people (benches or chairs); • Showers (min 3) with hot & cold water; • Toilets (min 3); • Treatment table; • Electrical outlets; • Lockers; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be lockable and secure; • Preferably on same side as team benches; • Bottled water and ice must be supplied and re-stocked as needed.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ice bath facilities (<i>see also below</i>). 	
CHANGING ROOMS UMPIRES	Minimum 15m ² per room	2 (1 men, 1 women)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preferably located within 25m of FOP; • A secure Back-of-House (BOH) area that is not accessible by the general public and media. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seating for up to 6 people (benches or chairs); • Showers with hot & cold water (min 2); • Toilets (min 2); • Electrical outlets; • Lockers for Event Officials' belongings. 	Must be lockable and secure.
ICE BATH FACILITIES	Minimum 20m ²	1 per changing room (min. 1 for each playing team)	Located inside the changing rooms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large tubs or small pools that allow athletes to submerge themselves to approximately waist depth; • Facilities to service a minimum of 3 athletes at any given time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must ensure privacy from spectators; • Ideally, the ice is to be stored on site to allow immediate servicing as required.
EQUIPMENT STORAGE ROOM	Minimum 75m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area in proximity to the changing rooms and FOP areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate size to accommodate 2 goal keeper kits per competing team; • A space to store any excess FOP equipment such as back-up goals, hockey balls, extra training devices. 	Must be dry, lockable, secure and ventilated.
WC FACILITIES FOR ATHLETES / EVENT OFFICIALS	10m ²	1 per gender and per competition pitch	Within 25m of the competition pitch.	To be provided if the changing rooms are more than 25m from the competition pitch.	Use is restricted for these groups.

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NATIONAL FLAGS	Refer to Event Manual	2 per participating team	To be located in an area around the FOP that is visible to as many stakeholders as possible.	The flag of each competing nation is to be displayed, along with the FIH flag.	<p>First set: These may be hung from flag poles or from the stadium roof or similar.</p> <p>Second set: To be used by the flag bearers which must position in such way that athletes are facing the flags, the main camera and ideally their team bench as well the VIP area when lining up for the match.</p>

1.2. Technical Areas

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TEAM VIDEO ANALYSIS	Variable – Sufficient to accommodate 2 persons per competing team, camera operator and all technical equipment	1 per competition pitch	Location which allows a clear view on the Field of Play.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical equipment – TBA; • 1 table and 2 chairs per team. 	

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TEAM VIDEO TOWER (IN THE ABSENCE OF SOLUTION FROM BROADCASTER)	Minimum internal tower dimensions: 1m width per team, 3m deep 2.5m high	1 per competition pitch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behind the goals at one (or both) ends of the pitch, as central as possible; • Located separately to the broadcast towers. <p>The video tower specifications should be discussed in detail with the FIH.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A distance far enough behind the goals and of adequate height to ensure the operators are safe; • Safety railing to a height of approximately 1.2m to ensure a safe environment; • A netting across the front of the tower to prevent objects falling off the tower; • Must have a roof and needs to be covered on the back and sides; • 1m width per competing team (2 pax); • 1 small table and 2 chairs per competing team; <p>Access to power (minimum of two power points per participating team).</p>	
VIDEO UMPIRE ROOM	Preferable 4m x 2m	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be defined with FIH; • This will either be a booth located with a view of the FOP, or a location to be identified in the EVS (i.e. Hawkeye or 	<p>Host to arrange:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office space - closed off area from spectators (covered and enclosed); • 3 chairs; • Tables to accommodate the electronic equipment required; • Backdrop as per requirements. 	<p>To arrange (through Broadcasters):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x 19" (48.25 cm) colour monitors (live feed and replay); • EVS record and replay machine; • Communication system between truck and Video Umpire room for audio feed;

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			similar) supplier vehicles.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video feed of live broadcast (format to be specified). It is important that this room is not part of an access way to other areas of the production area.
COMMENTARY BOOTHS	see section 6				
SPORTS PRESENTATION	Preferable 4m x 2m	1 per competition pitch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To accommodate 4 people; • Ideally elevated and located near to the FOP with a clear view of the entire pitch. 	Host to arrange: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A powered booth closed off area from spectators (covered and enclosed); • 4 chairs; • Tables to accommodate the electronic equipment required; • Electrical and data outlets. 	
SCOREBOARD	Variable	1 per competition pitch	At the end or corner of the FOP, visible to the technical table, team benches and as many spectators as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Including match time clock • Must be programmable Ability to display the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining playing time including 15 minutes countdown, 2 or 4 minutes for quarter and three quarter time countdown, 10 minutes half-time countdown and 8 seconds shoot-out countdown, counting down to 0.01 seconds; 	Additionally, a 24-hour clock indicating the time of day should be available and visible. This may be part of the scoreboard or separate. Please see the Scoreboard Specifications in Appendix A of the Event Manual for further information. FIH encourages the use of combined scoreboards / video boards. Please

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possibility to display the remaining warm-up time, ideally freely programmable to any duration / starting point; • Current score, indicating country names in full or as three-letter IOC country codes and allowing for two (2) digits for goals on each side; • Integrated siren at the end of identified periods. <p>Additionally, the following two displays must be possible but may be part of the scoreboard or separate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 second or other period shot clock; • Video referrals remaining, that is, indicating whether each Team has a video referral left or not (this could be displayed on the video screen). <p>The scoreboard must be integrated with the technical table.</p>	see the Event Manual for further information.
VIDEO BOARD	Minimum 6.5m x 4.4m	1 per competition pitch	At the end or corner of the FOP, visible to the technical table, team	Specifications for the video board are:	See Scoreboard Specifications in Appendix A of the Event Manual as well as examples of desired

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			benches and as many spectators as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum resolution of 6,000 LED/m²; • Minimum intensity of 4,000 cd/m²; • Minimum useable screen surface is 23m². 	scoreboard layout for preferred layout and details to be displayed. FIH encourages the use of combined scoreboards / video boards. Please see the Event Manual for further information.
MIXED ZONE	Please see section 5.				

2. OPERATIONAL OFFICES

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FIH OFFICE	Minimum 25m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area with easy access to the FOP, hospitality and all operational areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work spaces (desk, chair, LAN cable) for at least 8 persons, with sufficient electrical outlets; • Internet incl. LAN cables • 1 laptop • 1 colour laser printer • Lockable cabinet; • Stationery; • TV monitor with a live feed from broadcast. 	Must be lockable and secure.
FIH REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE	Minimum 12m ²	1	Located in the (Sport) BOH area, with easy access to the FOP and hospitality areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work space for 1 person, with office table and chair; • 2 more chairs for meeting purposes; • Small couch and coffee table; • Internet (incl. LAN cable); • Lockable cabinet; • Stationery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be lockable and secure; • Preferable to have a TV monitor with a live feed from broadcast.
FIH PRESIDENT OFFICE IF IN ATTENDANCE	Same requirements as for FIH Representative Office				
FIH CEO OFFICE	Same requirements as for FIH Representative Office				

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TECHNICAL DELEGATE OFFICE	Minimum 20m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area with immediate access to the FOP and operational areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work space for 1 person, with office table and chair; • Up to 6 more chairs for the purpose of hearings / meetings; • 1 colour laser printer; • Internet incl. LAN cable; • Lockable cabinet; • Stationery; • TV monitor with a live feed from broadcast. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be lockable and secure. • Preferable for this area to overlook the FOP.
UMPIRES MANAGERS OFFICE	Minimum 20m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area with immediate access to the FOP and operational areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work space for 2 people, with office tables and chairs; • 5 more chairs for post-match meetings; • Internet incl. LAN cable; • Lockable cabinet; • Stationery; • TV monitor with a live feed from broadcast. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be lockable and secure; • Preferable for this area to overlook the FOP.
MEETING ROOM	Minimum 20m ²	1	Ideally near FIH & Technical Delegate Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting table & chairs for up to 10 persons; • Internet. 	Projector screen and whiteboard would be preferable features for this room, but are not mandatory requirements.

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EVENT OFFICIALS LOUNGE	Minimum 50m ²	1	Preferably located in the Sport BOH.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 office tables and 4 chairs for match review purposes; • Electrical outlets; • Internet (WiFi); • Tables for the provision of catering; • 2 small couches & coffee table; • Fridge for cold drinks. 	A monitor with a feed from the broadcasters is a preferable feature.
SPORT INFORMATION DESK	Minimum 25m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area, within close proximity to all operational areas.	<p>The Sport Information Desk should provide the following information to Team Managers and Event Officials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily schedule; • Event schedule; • Results; • Statistics; • Local transport schedules e.g. for shuttle buses; • Daily weather conditions and forecasts; • Forms for additional training requests; • General event-related information; • Possibility to order ice for ice baths; • Possibility to book the meeting room(s) at the hotel; 	Located in close proximity to the competition management / LOC office or in the Teams' lounge (if available).

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key contact details for LOC, Operational and FIH staff. 	
LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE / COMPETITION MANAGEMENT	Minimum 25m ²	1	Preferably close to FIH Office.		A monitor with a feed from the broadcasters is a preferable feature.
VENUE ACCREDITATION OFFICE	Minimum 12m ²	1	Located on the security perimeter of the venue to assist with accreditation inquiries.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work spaces for a minimum of 2 persons, with sufficient electrical outlets; • Internet (LAN and WiFi); • Printer. 	May be located close to one of the main entrances or at the entrance for accredited personnel.
TRANSPORTATION OFFICE	Minimum 12m ²	1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work spaces for a minimum of 2 persons, with sufficient electrical outlets; • Internet (LAN and WiFi); • Printer; • Noticeboard for the display of transport schedules. 	This office may be located in the LOC office.
BALL PATROL	Minimum 15m ²	1	Located in (Sport) BOH in proximity to the FOP.	Changing room and assembly area for all ball patrol personnel.	Must be lockable and secure.
VOLUNTEERS LOUNGE	Minimum 40m ²	1	Located at a central point in the venue, free from athletes and spectators.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workspaces for volunteer coordinators; • Fridge(s) for drinks; • Tables for catering; • Seating appropriate to numbers. 	A monitor with a feed from the broadcasters is a preferable feature.

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CEREMONIES OFFICE, CHANGE AND STORAGE	Minimum 30m ²	1	Located in the BOH area with immediate access to the FOP.	Adequate space for the storage of presentation podiums and event signage.	This room can also act as a changing room for individuals involved in sports presentation activities.
GROUND MANAGERS OFFICE		1	Located on the same side of the venue with all operational areas.	Ability to control all pitch watering and lighting requirements from the one central location.	This room is not a mandatory requirement.

3. MEDICAL

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ATHLETE FIRST AID ROOM	40m ²	1	Located in the Sport BOH area with immediate access to the FOP and venue entry / exit. Access must be flat and not inhibited by stairs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first aid room must be well lit and contain the equipment as detailed in the respective guidelines; It must contain running water, a basin and immediate access to separate male and female bathrooms. 	This area must allow treatment of male and female athletes simultaneously in a private manner.
PITCH SIDE MEDICAL SERVICES		1 per competition pitch	At or near the technical bench for immediate access to the FOP.	<p>The area established for this feature must be adequate to accommodate the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Event medical personnel; 2 dedicated stretcher bearers; Medical supplies and equipment as detailed in the respective guidelines. 	An ambulance is also required at all times.
DOPING CONTROL ROOM	40m ²	Based on 1 processing area, 1 waiting area & 1 dedicated toilet	Located in the Sport BOH area with immediate access to the FOP and changing rooms.	<p>The doping control room must be air-conditioned or well-ventilated and must have the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting room: 1 x table, 12 x chairs, 1 x fridge with bottled water; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The doping control room is to be locked at all times and only accessed by the doping control staff, medical staff and the selected athletes; It is imperative that athletes in the waiting room must not be able to hear the conversations between the

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processing room: 1 table, 4 chairs, 1 lockable fridge, sink and lockable cupboard; • Toilet/s must be large enough to accommodate athlete and Doping Control Officer (DCO). 	<p>DCO and athlete providing personal details.</p> <p>Please see the Event Manual for further equipment that has to be provided in this area.</p>
AMBULANCE PITCH ACCESS	Adequate to allow a medical evacuation device as a minimum.	1 per competition pitch	Near the FOP with unrestricted access to the pitch and venue exit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum requirement is access to the FOP with an appropriate medical evacuation device; • Preferable is double gates to permit emergency vehicle access to the pitch; • A dedicated driveway to access the pitch in a smooth manner. 	Fence perimeter / advertising boards in this area must be moveable.
PUBLIC FIRST AID		Minimum 1	A central point within the spectator area.	Paramedics and first aid staff with a fully equipped first aid station to treat spectators as required.	Access to ambulance and hospital as required.

4. VENUE SEATING

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SPECTATORS	Minimum 10,000		Positioned to allow full viewing capacity as close to the pitch as possible.	20% to be covered.	
TEAMS	To be determined in consultation with FIH		To be seated outside of the line of site of the main camera arc.	Sufficient seating to accommodate all teams and staff for the finals.	In addition to the 20% seating capacity referred to above, it is preferable that this seating area is covered.
TEAM STAFF / COACHES	3 seats per playing team		To be seated in the accredited side of the stand behind the team benches with elevated view of the pitch and easy access to FOP / changing rooms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separated from spectators; • A table / bench to work on with access to data, power and communications. 	This must enable the coach quick access to the FOP and changing rooms and provide an elevated view.
EVENT OFFICIALS	Event specific		To be seated outside of the line of site of the main camera arc.	Sufficient seating to accommodate all appointed officials.	
MEDIA TRIBUNE	Please see section 5.				
VIP FIH OFFICIALS	To be determined in consultation with FIH		The best seats available in the main grandstand, but ideally outside of the line of site of the main camera arc.	All VIP seats are to be covered.	

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ACCESSIBLE	Minimum of 2% of total seating capacity		Located in an area that is accessible and will always maintain a clear view to the FOP.	Compliant with venue licensing requirements.	Dependent on venue licensing requirements.

5. MEDIA

KEY SPACE SUB SPACE(S)	SIZE	QUANTITY	LOCATION	SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	FURTHER INFORMATION
MEDIA CENTRE	Big enough to have a minimum of 100 working positions (min. 150m ²)	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located on the same side of the pitch as the media tribune and mixed zone; • It is important to ensure easy access to the media centre from the pitch side operational areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be well lit and serviced by air conditioning / heating as appropriate; • A reception desk for a media assistant to be based at to help service all media requests; • Work areas with tables to adequately accommodate the expected volume of media; • Internet for all media (LAN and 2 wireless internet networks); • Electricity for all media; • At least one fixed terminal with printer; • Pigeon holes; • Lockers for the safe storage of photography equipment; • Open 3 hours prior to the first match and remains open 3 hours after the completion of the last match, or until all media have finished their work; • TV monitor/s with live broadcast feed. 	Please see the Event Manual for further requirements regarding internet. Ideally, the media facilities should be on the same side of the venue as the teams' changing rooms.

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I-ZONE	6 x 10m ² minimum		Located in a quiet, comfortable indoor space connected (or in close proximity) to the media centre; separated from the spectators' area and exits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No fewer than 6 pods (each with backdrop and benches) • 2 wireless internet networks (1 for backup) 	Sealed bottled water at the pods required.
PRESS CONERENCE CENTRE in absence of I-zone	50 seats – approx. 80m ²	1	Located on the same side of pitch as all other media activity and close to the media centre.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a raised head table to seat 6-8 people; • Media seating for the required amount of people (75 minimum); • Sound system with at least 5 microphones at the desk + mobile microphones; • Presentation backdrop; • Sufficient lighting; • Secure Wi-Fi internet. 	Sealed bottled water required.
MEDIA LOUNGE	100m ²	1	Located on the same side of pitch as all other media activity (could form part of media centre).	Catering for the media to consist of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sandwiches / snacks; • coffee and tea making facilities; • water. 	
MEDIA TRIBUNE	Large enough to cater for the number		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A covered seating area that allows the media to oversee the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designated tables and seating for a specified number of media (minimum 75 tabled working 	TVs on a basis of 1 TV per 6 seated positions on the tribune are strongly recommended.

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	of media in attendance		entire FOP uninterrupted; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the same side of the venue as all media operations; • Must have easy access to the mixed zone and I-zone. 	positions and 50 non-tabled 'observer' spaces); <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical outlets; • LAN (Ethernet cables for each table) + 2 wireless internet networks (one for backup). 	
MIXED ZONE	Minimum 40m ² Preferable 12 x 4m	1 per competition pitch	Immediately near the exit of FOP, allowing athletes to pass through as they leave the area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barricading to separate the athletes and media; • Space to erect a backdrop; • 2 wireless internet networks one for backup). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority area is to be given to the host broadcaster and the rights holder broadcasters, with athletes to then move onto the remaining media.
PHOTOGRAPHY PITCH-SIDE				A minimum of 10 cabled connections for photography agencies pitch-side with high-speed internet.	

6. BROADCAST

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AREA FOR OB VEHICLES TV COMPOUND		1	Same side of the pitch as the commentary booths.		Basic power for the broadcast facilities are required.
SPACE FOR BROADCAST GENERATORS		1	Usually located inside the TV compound.		
CAMERA POSITIONS		14+	Variable	A camera plan should be agreed with FIH, involving elevated and pitch side camera locations.	
COMMENTARY BOOTHS	Minimum 4m ² Preferable 2m x 2m	2+ (to be confirmed with FIH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each booth to accommodate 2 people; • Ideally centrally located to the FOP with a clear view of the entire pitch. 	Host to arrange (per booth): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office space - closed off area from spectators (covered and enclosed); • 2 chairs; • Tables to accommodate electronic equipment required; • Electrical and data outlets. 	To arrange equipment with Broadcasters.
VENUE PARKING FOR BROADCAST	Please see section 8.				

7. VIP AREAS

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EVENT HOSPITALITY LOUNGES	To be determined in consultation with FIH	2 (or 1 with separable areas)	In close proximity to the VIP seating area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One area dedicated to FIH and Host NA and; one area dedicated to Commercial Partners and their guests; • Need to accommodate all VIPs; • Must be a secured and controlled areas; • Must have provisions of catering services and where possible facilities; • Preferable to have a TV monitor with a live feed from broadcast; • Must have access to VIP only bathrooms; • Preferable to have a view of the FOP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Event hospitality lounges should ideally have a welcome / information desk or at least an information board; • Area should be considered in case Commercial Partners and/or FIH choose to operate their own hospitality area.

8. VEHICLE ACCESS, PARKING & FLOWS

KEY SPACE SUB SPACE(S)	SIZE	QUANTITY	LOCATION	SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	FURTHER INFORMATION
ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE LOAD ZONES TEAMS	50m ²	1	Direct entry into a secure athletes / operational area only.	Athletes should be able to leave their transport and enter their changing rooms immediately, without having to move through spectator areas.	They should be able to access the warm-up areas and FOP without moving through spectator areas.
ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE LOAD ZONES EVENT OFFICIALS		1	Preferably a direct entry into a secure operational area.	Preferably Event Officials should also be able to arrive in an area that allows them to access their offices and changing rooms directly.	
ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE VIP		1	Direct entry to the VIP section of the venue.	VIPs should be able to arrive at the venue & move immediately towards the designated VIP area of the stadium.	
EMERGENCY VEHICLES	Refer to the medical evacuation plan	Minimum allocation, dedicated ambulance per client group 1x athletes 1x spectators	Clear emergency evacuation plan and medical plan.	Emergency vehicles movement plans must be established in advance of the event in order to coordinate efficient access to all areas of the venue, along with planned exit pathways.	Subject to the licensing requirements of the venue/country.
VENUE PARKING FOR BROADCAST	Free on venue parking for broadcast requirements.				

9. SPECTATOR PLAZA

KEY SPACE SUB SPACE(S)	SIZE	QUANTITY	LOCATION	SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS	FURTHER INFORMATION
SPECTATOR PLAZA		1	Situated in an area that encourages the spectators to move through upon their arrival into the grounds and pre accessing the seating.	To include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retails stands; • Catering services; • Fan zone activity; • Public bathrooms; • Event information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliant with local health and safety regulations; • A big screen with a live feed and a sound system are desirable features, but not mandatory.