

The Formentera Department of Sport reports that from tomorrow, Friday 15 May, activities will resume at Antoni Blanc sports centre, tennis and padel courts and the municipal athletics track. The facilities will observe a limited set of hours and 30% capacity in view of Covid-19-related requirements.

The fitness centre will be organised for single-person activity and visits will be given by appointment, with priority for high-performance athletes. Exercise requiring physical contact is not permitted and locker rooms will be kept closed. Visitors are asked to limit activity to the gymnasium and multipurpose room, which will remain open to all, while training staff are restricted to tending to no more than one at a time. Appointments can be scheduled 24-hours in advance by calling 971 32 12 40. Poliesportiu Antoni Blanc hours are from 8.00am to 2.00pm and 4.00pm to 9.00pm, Monday to Friday, and entry is free until 1 June.

Visitors will be given information about hygiene and organisational rules on entry.

Capacity at tennis and padel courts will be restricted to two players per court when the facilities reopen tomorrow. Of six courts (four for tennis, two for padel), only two, or 30%, can be occupied at a time. Players can book a space using the tennis club's reservations app, phoning 636 23 06 66, or sending a message to the club's WhatsApp group.

The athletics track will be reserved exclusively for high-performance sports players. The Escola de Vela will open its doors too: sailing school visitors can access material for open-air use from the storage space.

Sports consellera Paula Ferrer called the changes "a first step towards the return of sport to our municipal facilities" and said efforts were under way to reopen those spaces still closed, telling islanders the process depended on Formentera's progress through lockdown loosening, and to expect safety measures. She asked local sports people to be responsible, applauding their patience and insisting the return of normality in sports was "a matter of time, but steps will be gradual".

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