

Covid -19 Policies and Protocols for ~~W~~~~W~~~~H~~~~H~~~~N~~ Horse Shows

General Policies

- Anyone with a temperature of 99.5° F (37.5° C) or higher may not enter Otter Creek Show Grounds.
Anyone who exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, has tested positive for COVID-19 within last two weeks, or *has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks* cannot enter the competition grounds. *Exception: Healthcare personnel who have treated patients using appropriate medical grade PPE during the course of performing professional duties are exempted from this restriction.
- Show grounds will be closed to the general public and guests. Only Trainers, grooms and one other person can accompany competitors onto the show grounds.
- Mandatory Requirements for Participants as outlined by USEF will be enforced on the show grounds. Enforcement will be the responsibility of the TD and show management.
- Masks are required in distances less than 6' from others anywhere on the property. Social distancing NO LESS than 6' apart. Masks are optional for mounted riders.
- Everyone MUST have a mask (with them) so it is readily available to wear.
- Signage and hand sanitizing stations will be located throughout the property.
- If in the event of an Covid-19 related emergency, Otter Creek Farm will email or text all in the show including staff, officials, volunteers and participants.
- Temperature taking for officials, volunteers and staff will be done daily.
- Licensed officials and volunteers and show staff, must provide emergency contact information and execute an updated Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement required by USEF, as a condition of participation.
- Social Distancing 6' minimum to be practiced by everyone. Access to the stall area is limited to competitors and their support team. Stabling area social distancing and sanitation will be an individual responsibility. Temperature monitoring will be the individual's responsibility.
- Masks will be provided (if needed) to staff, volunteers, and officials.

Check -in

- All competitors will be required to have complete entry forms, including ALL signature pages, before entering the show grounds. Anyone who does not have a complete entry cannot enter the stabling area until the issues are resolved. There will be many emails to help get entries complete. Competitor's bridle numbers will be on their stall, so no need to check in.

- Mandatory Requirements for competitors and support team will be posted on stall charts, show office and posting kiosk. Printouts of the Individual and competition management mandates from USEF will be available by the office.

Competition and Warm Up Arenas

- Ring Steward will monitor the competitor's entrance and exit from the ring, do equipment check and complete responsibilities as required of a Ring Steward.
- Hand sanitizer, paper towels and disinfecting spray will be available at each ring.
- Communicate entrance and exit protocols for competitors
- Limit the people to the ring to Coach or trainer and one other person only.
- Riders can come to warm-up no sooner than 40 min before scheduled ride time to prevent crowding. Stewards will monitor ring traffic.

Food Concession

- Food will **not** be available during the horse show! Bottled water is available by the pavilion and office.
- Judges meals and snacks will be pre-ordered and brought to judge's booth.

Retail Vendors

- Each vendor at the show will be asked to review their distancing protocols with Show Management to ensure that social distancing is maintained.
- Vendors must have signs posted to remind shoppers of the need to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

PortaJohns and Bathroom

- Disinfectant spray and paper towels will be available outside each portajohn and bathroom for the user to sanitize before entering and when leaving.
- Hand sanitizer will also be available.
- Competitors will be asked to bring their own sanitizer and toilet paper to be sure there is no shortage.

Office -

- Access to the office will be limited to scoring.
- Communications for, schedule changes, adding Q and scratches will be handled through text and need to be paid by check or EXACT cash only. There will be a drop box outside the office entrance for payment and document drop off.
- Competitor issues, Questions/answers will a be handled by text
- Ribbons and tests will be picked up by the Show Office. Competitor will pick up their own test and ribbons. A designated person will be handing test & ribbons out.
- Scores will not be posted. Competitors will need to access results on their phones.

- Bedding should be ordered on the show entry. If needed Additional Bedding can be ordered during the show by use of TEXT to the show sec., no later than 2 pm each day.
- Exact change or pay by check is required.
- No food, snacks, candy or beverages will be available. bottled water is available by the pavilion.

Judge Booths –

- Plexiglas will separate the Judge from the scribe. Masks, gloves and hand sanitizer will be provided in the booth.
- Passing of tests to runners will be done in a plastic container after the judge is finished with the test. Score runner must wear face mask when next to the judges stand.
- If two judges are needed for a class, the judging will be done next to the stand with a 6' distance between judges and the use of masks and gloves.

Stabling & Washstall Area –

- Temperature monitoring, cleanliness standards and social distancing are the responsibility of the competitor and the trainer.
- Competitors and their support team are responsible for their own masks and/or face covering.
- Sanitation of stall doors, water hoses and equipment are the responsibility of the competitor and the trainer.
- No hoses will be provided by the wash stalls, please bring your own.

Covid Outbreak Protocol-

- If a person is reported to have Covid symptoms, we will consult with the EMT. The EMT will decide if 911 should be called, or if the competitor will be sent home with instructions to reach out to their health care provider.

Otter Creek Farm will continue to update this plan as needed.