

# COVID -19 MITIGATION PLAN - Indiana Eventing Association Horse Trials

Event Date: August 7-8, 2021

Location: Hoosier Horse Park, Edinburgh, IN

Affiliate Associations: US Equestrian Federation, Midsouth Eventing Association and Indiana Eventing Association

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## **Venue Information:**

We plan on using the following:

Stalls: Capacity - 384 stalls on grounds – using 206 horse stalls, 15 tack stalls

Dressage Rings: Capacity is 32 however our competitors rarely sit to watch.

Stadium Arena: Capacity is 16 but as in dressage, our competitors rarely sit to watch.

- The HHP facilities are mostly open air. The bleachers are marked 6ft for seating and there is lots of signage which will be augmented by US Equestrian Federation required signage provided by the horse show.
- The restrooms are cleaned and disinfected 2x daily by the park staff.
- The rented port-o-lets will be supplied with hand sanitizer throughout the horse show. The sanitizer will be supplied by the vendor and augmented by horse show as used.

## **Horse Show Mitigation Plans:**

### **GENERAL:**

- We will be following or exceeding the US Equestrian Federation Covid Action plan that can be found here – <https://www.usef.org/media/press-releases/update-to-covid-19-competition-action-plan-for>
- The scheduling of the competition has been planned to reduce the number of participants on the venue at any given time. We expect them to arrive and depart in a staggered manner and they will be encouraged to leave the venue once their classes have been completed.
- Medical Services/ EMT will be available on site during the event. However, anyone showing symptoms of COVID-19 should leave the HHP and contact a licensed medical facility for further assistance.

### **GUEST INFORMATION:**

- All participants, staff, officials, volunteers and other personnel **will be required** to sign a waiver that states neither the participant or anyone in their household:
  - Has tested positive or has been presumed positive for COVID-19 at any time during the past 14 days
  - Has been advised by a healthcare professional to self-quarantine at any time during the past 14 days
  - Has been in close physical contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who has been presumed positive for COVID-19, during the past 14 days
  - Is subject to a quarantine order or a recommendation of a healthcare professional that, in either case, would make it inadvisable to attend a public event or competition
  - Has, within the past 24 hours, exhibited any of the following symptoms attributed to COVID-19, including but not limited to, a fever of 99.5° or greater, cough and/or shortness of breath.

- Anyone answering YES to ANY of the above questions is NOT permitted to compete or attend the AEC.

#### **STAFF & VOLUNTEER SCREENING:**

- All participants will be required to administer self-temperature taking each day. Any person whose temperature exceeds 99.5 will not be admitted onto the venue.
- All staff, officials, volunteers will have their temperatures taken each day by and anyone whose temperature exceeds 99.5 will not be admitted onto the venue.
- Only essential personnel will be allowed, meaning no spectators or large groups of family will be allowed on the venue.

#### **SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES:**

- This horse show is 100% held outdoors and the structure of the competition is one horse at a time competes. All competitors are given specific ride times and thus do not tend to congregate or mingle.
- Access to stabling should be limited to essential support personnel only.
- Bleachers are marked with 6ft distances.
- Check In will be marked with 6ft distances.
- Participants will be asked not to congregate at any time.
- It is recommended that only one person be in any stall at a time. Exceptions would be in the case of an emergency or treatment(s) to the horse.
- Use mounting blocks when available. It is recommended to avoid leg up as much as possible.
- The number of horses in schooling areas will be limited to allow appropriate social distancing. No more than one (1) person per horse are allowed inside the schooling area
- This event will be as paperless as possible to maintain a safe environment utilizing the following:
  - Paperless entry system
  - All results will be posted on line
  - Distribution of ribbons will be done in such a way to reduce person-to-person contact.

#### **INCREASED SANITIZATION:**

- Hand-sanitizer will be available at multiple sites on the venue, including but not limited to: all warm-up areas, all port-o-lets, throughout the stable areas and the Secretary Stand.
- The horse show will have extra supplies of sanitizer and gloves on hand for those who may need replacements while on the venue.
- All equipment used for the competition will be sanitized each evening.
- Equipment should not be shared. If this occurs, individual pieces of equipment should be sanitized after use.
- Spray sanitizer will be available at school jumps and should be used following each rider.

#### **FACE COVERINGS:**

- ALL** participants, staff, officials and volunteers and associated personnel will be encouraged to wear face coverings anywhere on the venue when unable to maintain the 6' distancing. This includes family members and close-knit groups.
- This includes while on foot, in golf carts, in stabling areas, etc.
- The horse show will have extra supplies of masks on hand for those who may need replacements while on the venue.
- Anyone failing to comply will be made to leave the venue.
- We will have several Covid Compliance Officers to supervise and implement all Covid requirements.
- Masks will not be required while mounted.

## **VENDOR TENTS**

We expect 2 vendors at the horse show. The following has been sent to them prior to the show.

- Masks are required
- Social distancing must be maintained.
- The following customer capacity for vendor tents should be followed:

Vendor Type/Capacity

10 x 10 2

10 x 20 3

- Vendors should make available to all customers hand sanitizer and/or gloves.
- Vendors should limit personal contact as much as possible and disinfect the shopping area daily.
- Checkout counters should be wiped down after each customer/transaction.

## **COMPLIANCE:**

- Failure to follow these guidelines by any attendee or competitor may result in the issuance of a Yellow Card, immediate disqualification, and/or removal from the HHP. The sole authority in any such matter is the OC or any of their designees.
- The OC, IEA and all staff, officials and Volunteers are committed to providing a safe environment for all.