



MHJA Hunter Horse Show – COVID-19 Protocol

USEF (United States Equestrian Federation) licensed competition “MHJA Hunter Horse Show” must operate in accordance with the USEF COVID-19 Action Plan. This plan is based on federal, state, and local regulations, WHO recommendations, CDC guidelines and USEF requirements.

Participants include owners, lessees, riders, parents, trainers, coaches, grooms, and competition staff, this includes office staff, medical personnel, crew, volunteers, in-gate, announcers, licensed officials, farriers and braiders will agree to follow physical distancing and to wear a mask/face covering, when not mounted on a horse and at all times while on competition grounds.

MHJA Hunter Horse Show August 21-23, 2020 will perform the following:

- All staff, volunteers, officials and service providers will have their temperature taken and recorded daily.
- All staff, volunteers, officials, service providers and participants will sign Waivers and Release of liabilities, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement provided by USEF and provide emergency information.
- Signage – There will be posted signage throughout the Stonegate Farm displaying applicable federal, state and local regulations as well as WHO recommendations and CDC guidelines. Members of the same family will be given ribbons that identify them.
- Stabling area and trailer parking will be assigned and supervised so as to comply with physical distancing.
- Stabling area will be stocked with hand sanitizer.
- Mounting blocks will be available at the show ring, schooling area and stabling area to lessen contact.
- Individuals will be allowed to be seated together while being transported by golf cart (or similar four-wheeled transport vehicle), but capacity may not exceed the number of seats on the cart or vehicle and all individuals must wear face masks or face coverings. Congregating on or around a parked or stationary golf cart or vehicle is prohibited.
- Facility including jumps, toilets, office and water station will be frequently sanitized. Hand sanitizer and hand washing station will be provided.
- Access will be denied to persons with symptoms of COVID-19 persons exposed to COVID-19 and persons with temperatures of 99.5 or higher or persons who have had contact with persons with symptoms of COVID-19. Contact – for the purposed of this document, contact is defined as any of the following:

- Having been within six (6) feet of an individual for at least 15 minutes who is COVID-19 symptomatic or infected, starting from 48 hours before that person began feeling sick until the time that individual was isolated;
- Having had direct physical contact with a COVID-19 symptomatic or infected individual;
- Having shared eating or drinking utensils with a COVID-19 symptomatic or infected individual;
- Having cared for, or having been exposed to the sneeze, cough, or other respiratory droplets of a COVID-19 symptomatic or infected person. Anyone who has been in contact with an individual who is confirmed or suspected to be COVID19-positive should quarantine in accordance with CDC Guidelines
- Competition Office will have an “in” and “out” door, provide 6 foot markers, provide hand sanitizers and provide sanitized work areas and implements.
- Trainer/Competitor packets will be organized for pick-up with as little contact as possible, these will include working protocol.
- Monitoring of schooling, competition and exercise areas, restricting the number of people accompanying the horse to the ring and frequent PA announcements will ensure exhibitors of procedures, schedule and protocol.
- No spectators will be allowed.
- All food vendors will be following state guidelines for food services.
 - To eat or drink, an individual must move far enough away from others to minimize the possibility of being within six feet of any other individual before the lowering the mask or face covering to eat or drink. The mask must be immediately replaced over the nose and mouth when finished.
- Enforcement will be the responsibility of the MHJA Hunter Horse Show competition organizers.

The organizers of MHJA Hunter Horse Show agricultural event believe everyone needs to set a good example and be mindful to protect the health and safety of all.

****Please remember that the competition organizers and the officials have the authority to remove from the facility any person who does not comply with the regulations in effect during the MHJA Horse Show.***