

Event Policy Biosecurity Risk Assessment

Disease risk cannot be completely eliminated from an equine event. Well before an event, event organizers, in consultation with a veterinarian hired by the event, should conduct a risk assessment of the event policies to identify potential biosecurity risks. It is important to evaluate the level of risk to determine what measures can be taken to address the risk areas of concern in the event biosecurity and infectious disease control plan.

	Minimal Biosecurity Risk	Medium Biosecurity Risk	High Biosecurity Risk
Horse Health Entry Requirement	Horse health declaration, Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and temperature documentation required for all horses	Participants are required to sign horse health declaration upon arrival, but no Certificate of Veterinary Inspection or temperature record are required	No horse health entry requirements
Stall Assignment Records	Stall is assigned to a designated horse and information recorded	Stalls are assigned to owners/trainers in groups and recorded	Stalls are not assigned and no stall records are maintained
Exhibitor Contact Information	Owner/agent current phone number and, email address and horse origin and destination addresses are recorded for all exhibitors upon arrival	Owner/agent phone number and address available but horse location unknown	No contact information obtained/maintained
Reporting of Suspicion of Illness in Horses	All participants are notified in writing, before and upon arrival, of the requirement to immediately report any suspicion of an infectious disease in horses to event staff	Signage alone notifies participants of the requirement to report any suspicion of infectious disease in horses to event staff	No requirement to report suspicion of an infectious disease in horses

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Monitoring of Horse Health	Qualified, knowledgeable event staff are designated to inspect every horse upon arrival and periodically monitor horses for duration of the event	Event staff conduct random walk through of the barns to monitor health status of horses	No designated staff or individual is responsible for monitoring health status of horses
Temperature Monitoring	Temperature monitoring of horses required two times/day with record posted on stall door.	Temperature monitoring of horses by participants is recommended.	No policy for monitoring horse temperatures during the equine event.
Equipment Sharing on Event Premises	Communication to participants done before the event to discourage equipment sharing. Signs posted on event grounds to discourage equipment sharing.	Only signs to discourage equipment sharing are posted.	No signs discouraging equipment sharing are posted and no equipment sharing policy exists for the event.
Event Staff Horse Handling Policy	Event staff are provided strict instructions on handling event horses, which includes use and change of disposable gloves and use of hand sanitizer between contacts with horses.	Event staff are asked to use hand sanitizer between contacts with horses.	There are no policies regarding handling of horses by event staff.
Visitors	Visitors are restricted from horse stabling area; no direct visitor contact with horses is permitted.	There is restricted access of visitors to horse stabling areas.	There are no restrictions on visitor access to horse stabling areas.

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Dogs	Dogs are not permitted on the event grounds.		Dogs are required to be on a leash at the event.		There are no restrictions for dogs on the event grounds.	
Event Biosecurity Signage	Adequate signage for parking, restricted access areas and biosecurity measures.		Limited signage for parking, restricted area access and biosecurity measures.		No signage for parking, restricted access areas or biosecurity measures.	
Biosecurity and Infectious Disease Control Plan	Event management consulted with veterinarian and wrote a specific, detailed biosecurity and infectious disease control plan for the specific event and venue.		Event management developed a general biosecurity outline and biosecurity and infectious disease control plan.		No biosecurity plan or biosecurity and infectious disease control plans developed by event management.	
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