



COVID-19/EHV-1 Procedures for Horse Trials at Fair Hill

Effective March 26, 2021

Scope and Purpose:

These procedures are to ensure adherence to the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and State of Maryland requirements while competing, volunteering, officiating or otherwise participating in horse trials at Fair Hill. Spectators and other non-essential people are not permitted to attend.

General Guidelines for All Attending:

- All will be required to sign and electronically submit in advance the appropriate USEF/USEA form(s)
- All are required to provide emergency contact information (name and phone number) as well as an email address
- Anyone testing positive for COVID-19 within 14 calendar days of being on the competition grounds MUST contact USEF, the competition organizer, and local public health authorities immediately to advise of the positive test result. If any participant tests positive, all participants will be notified by email
- All individuals must practice social distancing at all times while on the competition grounds by staying at least 6 feet away from any person that is not a member of their immediate family.
- Face masks are to be worn by everyone except riders when on horseback.
- Sanitizing equipment for port-a-potties and permanent bathrooms will be made available.
- All should bring their own disinfectant/sanitizing products.
- There will be drive-through check-ins for competitors and volunteers to minimize exposure.
- Trailer parking will be distanced to ensure minimal contact between groups
- If a COVID-compliant food service can be contracted, food service will be made available.
- Required signage will be posted:
 - Outside the Ed Walls building
 - In the parking area
 - On restroom facilities
 - At barn area
 - Near both dressage warm-up and competition areas
 - Near SJ warm-up and competition area
 - Near XC warm-up

Access to the Competition Grounds

- On Friday and Saturday, all participants, volunteers, officials and service providers will enter the grounds via the entrances off of Gallaher Road (signs will be posted). On Sunday, all will enter the grounds via Entrance 2 off of Rt 273. Follow signs to parking.

- Anyone experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the 10 calendar days prior to the start of the competition will not be allowed on the grounds
- Anyone who (1) exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, (2) has been tested positive for COVID-19 within the previous ten days, or (3) has been in contact with someone who has COVID-19 symptoms or who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the previous 7 or 10 days (see CDC Quarantine Options) may not enter the competition grounds. (Healthcare workers who have treated patients while using appropriate medical grade PPE are exempted from this requirement.).
- Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees F. (38.0 degrees C.) or higher will not be allowed on the grounds
- Required signage will be posted as participants drive through the checkpoint
- Volunteers, officials, competition staff, and service providers entering the competition grounds will have their temperature checked and receive a wrist band.
- Competitors will receive their packets at check in.
- Volunteers will receive all required supplies at the temperature screening checkpoint.
 - Parking will be according to volunteer assignment.
- Competitors will proceed to the parking area by the barns and park appropriately to allow safe social distancing between trailers

Riders, Trainers, Owners and all others attending with the Rider

- Riders, trainers and Owners must sign and submit the USEF/USEA *Federation and Association Entry Agreement*, the USEF/USEA *Waiver and Release of Liability* form and any additional required paperwork in advance. All others must sign and submit the USEF/USEA *Waiver and Liability Release* form. Wrist bands will be given to affirm submission of signed release form(s).
- Will enter and pay on-line in advance. No last minute paperwork will be accepted. Entries must be complete to receive a ride time
- Riders, trainers, owners and all others attending with the rider must social distance unless living in the same household
- Packets will be provided via a drive-through pick-up when entering the competition grounds
- Course maps and ride times will be posted online at <https://www.fairhillinternational.org/entry-status-ride-times/>
- Scores will be posted online. You can view scores at <https://www.fairhillinternational.org/entry-status-ride-times/> Ribbons will be available at the secretary/scorers trailer. Hand sanitizer will be near the ribbons.
- Dressage tests will be available near the barns when scored. Hand sanitizer will be near the tests. Tests will be emailed by request. You can email the request to coldrenscorener@gmail.com. Will communicate with organizers, secretary and volunteers by radio or cell phone. Phone numbers will be emailed to competitors and posted by the barns.
- Are responsible for providing their own masks and sanitizing supplies.
- Sanitizer will be provided at each warm up jump.
- Must comply with requests made by staff, officials and volunteers to wear masks, to

limit warm-up numbers, to not congregate, to sanitize commonly touched surfaces, and in general to follow best practices for limiting COVID-19 exposure. Those who fail to comply will be asked/required to leave the grounds.

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A valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) is required of all horses. This form is to be signed by an Accredited Veterinarian within 72 hours of arrival at Fair Hill and include each horse's current Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis vaccination status per USEF competition rules. A copy of the CVI document must be presented for each horse upon arrival. Fair Hill International reserves the right to refuse entry to the grounds for horses that do not have a CVI and current Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis vaccination.

Officials and Staff

- Must sign and submit the USEF/USEA *Waiver and Liability Release* form prior to entering the competition grounds
- Will communicate by radio and remain in cars/golf carts/all-terrain vehicles when possible
- Masks and sanitizing supplies will be available if needed.
- Will sanitize clipboards, pens, walkie-talkies, competitor packets, utility vehicles and other commonly handled and shared equipment
- Will be provided with pre-packaged lunch, drinks and snacks

Volunteers

- Must sign and submit the USEF/USEA *Waiver and Liability Release* form prior to entering the competition grounds
- Will be provided with instructions and rules for volunteer positions in advance to limit need for "day of" instructions. Online tutorials for XC jump judges are available at <https://useventing.com/events-competitions/volunteers/jump-judge-instructional-videos>
- XC jump judges will receive their jump assignment, radio and all other materials via drive-through as they enter the competition grounds. Proceed directly to the assigned jump. XC jump judges will be briefed by radio
- Masks and sanitizing supplies will be available if needed. XC jump judges are not required to wear their masks in their vehicle or if alone
- Will be provided with pre-packaged lunch, drinks, and snacks.

General Procedures

- Only the competition secretary, scorers and officials are allowed in scorers trailer (recognized horse trials) or secretary booth (starter horse trials). Please communicate via cell phone.
- Ride times will be scheduled to limit the number of competitors in each warm-up area
- When using huts, Dressage judge and scribe will be divided by a clear shower curtain
- Dressage score sheets will be picked up by a volunteer and taken to the scorers

- SJ Judge and Scribe will sit 6' apart.
- SJ scoresheet – scribe will take a photo when sheet is filled or division completed and text the image to scoring
- XC scoring - a volunteer will sit near XC control and record all jumps on a master score sheet as each jump judge radios in. The XC master score keeper will periodically text results to scoring. Each individual jump judge will record all jumps on their individual score sheet. Score sheets will be gathered at the end of each division.