



COVID-19 Horse Show Safety Protocols

*All individuals participating in the horse show as riders, trainers, staff, support staff, family, etc. are subject to following the temporary safety protocols in place. Failure to cooperate may result in expulsion from show grounds, elimination from show, loss of fees, as show management deems appropriate. **We will strongly rely on our trainers to communicate and support these measures within their barn groups.** We also ask all attendees to cooperate fully with the Georgia International Horse Park Staff when requested. These are new and trying times for everyone involved, so let's be sure to be cooperative and respectful.*

Anyone participating at the horse show in any capacity (rider, trainer, groom, support service, staff, parents, support teams etc.) does so at their own risk and holds harmless the horse show management (Horse Show Ventures) the venue (Georgia International Horse Park) and all staff, concessionaires and vendors.

This is a private event and is closed to the general public. If you are sick, have health concerns within your family, or are uncomfortable in public situations given the circumstances, we ask you please stay home. This is not the time for you to horse show.

- The Show attendance is closed to the general public and is limited to the Show Staff and those Trainers, Riders, immediate family rider support team (parents/guardians) of those entered in show and to venue and service personnel.
- All Show Participants are required to self monitor their health. Anyone who is sick, exhibits COVID-like symptoms, has been exposed to a person with COVID-19 in the last two weeks, or has tested positive for COVID-19 cannot enter the show grounds. (the exception is healthcare personnel who have treated patients using appropriate PPE during the course of performing their duties)
- Staff are required to wear face masks when in a public setting or when there is the possibility of being within six feet of others.
- Exhibitors are encouraged to wear face masks when in a public setting or when there is the possibility of being within six feet of others.
- Riders are permitted to wear face masks when mounted or showing without penalty.
- Comply with social distancing protocols (6' distance between you and others) when on the show grounds (exceptions are family group relationships).
- The Horse Park has a strict rule of no gathering of groups >10 people. Please be cognizant of this for large barn groups attending the show, and in the RV area after the show.
- Keep a respectful 6' distance from in gate personnel and show staff when asking questions.

- Wash Hands often and adhere to other sanitation practices throughout the day.
- The Show Office will be closed to everyone except Show Staff.
- The Show Secretary desk will be arranged just inside the double french doors of the show office.
- There will be a plexi-glass screen between the secretary and exhibitors.
- Online and fax entries are encouraged.
- Online Add Scratch is encouraged.
- Online Memberships renewal is encouraged.
- Results will be updated online throughout the day. Exhibitors are encouraged to check online at www.horseshowsonline.com for their results.
- Staggered check out will be encouraged and notification announcements made on Sunday when there are no lines. We encourage everyone to check out early vs waiting to the end of the show day.
- If a line forms at the office, please adhere to 6' distancing, as well as in the concession area.
- Hand Sanitizer will be at the in gates and show office, but **EXHIBITORS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO BRING THEIR OWN HAND SANITIZER.**
- No candy bowl in the office.
- If you use a pen in the office take it with you.
- This will be a BYOH20 (No Water Coolers at the Rings) **EXHIBITORS SHOULD PLAN TO BRING THEIR OWN WATER BOTTLES TO THE RING.**
- Space will be left between barn groups in the stabling area.
- Spread out when on the show grounds and spectating along the rail - 6' distance.
- Courses will be posted online each morning one hour prior to ring start time. Additional course board will be created (2 at each ring) to encourage access and distancing.
- Maintain distancing when entering and exiting the ring.
- Maintain distancing when in the line up in the ring.
- Respect social distancing in the schooling areas, consider wearing gloves when handling the schooling jumps.
- Maintain social distancing at the wash racks and other common areas.
- Champion and Reserve Prizes and ribbons will be pre-packaged and available for pick up from the show office.
- Ribbon boards will be set up near the show rings for class ribbon pick up to minimize shuffling through ribbon boxes.
- Hunter Ring Schedules with **ESTIMATED division start times** will be posted online daily. It is extremely important for exhibitors to understand and recognize that these are computer created *estimates generated at the end of the previous day* and **there are always variances** (ring moves slower or faster, adds, scratches, falls, other delays...**these are not set times**). It is the trainer and rider's responsibility to still monitor the rings and to be ready appropriately. This only provides an estimate for approximate times and may reduce the number of questions and interactions with gate personnel. *This is provided as a courtesy and safety measure* to reduce hanging at the ring and many questions to personnel. It does not eliminate or transfer rider/trainer responsibility to listen to barn calls and announcements and be to the class on time.

Additional protocols and requirements may be instituted upon receipt of GHJA protocols or updates as needed. Please be sure to review the GIHP Safety Protocols as well.

ALL protocol requirements will be posted at www.horseshowventures.com.

Prevent the spread of COVID-19 in **7 STEPS**



- 01** Wash your hands frequently
- 02** Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- 03** Cover your cough using the bend of your elbow or a tissue
- 04** Avoid crowded places and close contact with anyone that has fever or cough
- 05** Stay at home if you feel unwell
- 06** If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early — but call first
- 07** Get information from trusted sources

SOURCE: WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION