

In response to the recent EHV-1 outbreak in California and similar cases reported in other states, the Colorado Horse Park (CHP) and LEG Shows & Events are increasing our biosecurity protocols to do our part to keep your horses safe, as well as those of your fellow competitors.

## **Upon Arrival:**

- We require all barns to check the temperature of all horses once they arrive at CHP, prior to entering the barn. If a horse has a temperature of 101.5 or higher, CHP management <u>must be contacted immediately</u>, and the horse placed in an isolation stall on-site to allow for time to recheck temperature prior to entering the show barn.
- CHP will require all barns on CHP show grounds to maintain a temperature log with twice-daily temperatures recorded and the log must be posted on each horse's stall door. Random checks of temperature logs by the Barn Manager and Stewarding staff will take place.
- Any horse on the show grounds with a fever must be reported to CHP Management immediately. It is always better to err on the side of safety. Isolation stalls will either be available on the grounds and/or at a local veterinary practice if the need arises.

It is our shared responsibility to keep our horses safe. Similar to the suggested protocols in place for humans due to COVID-19, we urge all equestrians to please remember and abide by additional biosecurity measures.

## Additional Recommendations:

- Avoid mixing of horses where possible, practice equine 'social distancing'
- Please take the time to review equine good hygiene practices and impress its importance to your grooms and barn managers in everyday care.
- Bring your own hoses to barns and do not share water buckets or fill from hoses used by other horses. Communal hoses will NOT be provided in the barns during this time. Please bring your own.
- Every effort should be made to minimize stress and commingling of horses shipped long distances. Extra hours on a horse van or moving from stable to stable is the fastest way to compromise your horses' and your neighbor's horses' health.
- CHP will practice additional biosecurity and disinfection protocols during our stall turnovers and around the facility on a daily basis.

## Further biosecurity protocols and additional resources can be found here:

<u>United States Department of Agriculture Information on Equine Herpesvirus</u>

<u>American Association of Equine Practitioners FAQ on Equine Herpesvirus</u>

<u>United States Equestrian Federation Biosecurity Measures for Horses at Home and at Competitions</u>