

# Horse Isolation Protocol

Any horse identified as possibly carrying a communicable disease will be immediately reported by the owner or agent responsible to competition management.

In the event that a horse on the competition grounds presents or is suspected of having a communicable disease per the attending veterinarian, the following procedures will be instituted by competition management in accordance with USEF guidelines and local laws and/or ordinances governing equine competitions and animal welfare statutes:

- Designated handler will relocate the infected horse from the immediate competition area to the designated isolation stalls at the edge of the property and away from all competition and boarded horses.
- Competition management will provide bio-hazard compliant supplies as identified by the USEF for all members of the affected horse's party to disinfect their staff and equipment that may have come in contact with the affected animal before permission will be granted to re-enter competition area.
- Competition management will provide a separate refuse container and disposable bags designated for biohazard use for manure and all refuse generated by the horse(s) and Handler(s) associated with the handling of the affected horse(s).
- All handlers of affected animal(s) will be directed to refrain from any and all contact with any other horses associated with the competition until they have properly disinfected.