

COVID-19 BIOSECURITY PROTOCOL



OWNERS, MANAGERS OR PERSONS IN CHARGE OF STABLES OR EQUESTRIAN CLUBS (Employer)

RISK MANAGEMENT

Before all, the owner or manager of the stable must evaluate their offer of service (facility capacity, schedule, services), taking into account the capacity to respect or make employees respect the following sanitary instructions. While it is not possible to eliminate all contamination risks, it is important to minimize and control them.

BASIC PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

Prohibit access to all indoor areas (stable, indoor arena, etc.) to people aged 10 and over who do not wear face covers. This rule does not apply when these people are involved in equestrian activities (riding or driving).

Note that wearing a face cover is strongly recommended but not mandatory for children aged 2 to 10.

- Favor physical distancing between employees during work periods:
 - Limit the number of people present for each work period;
 - Establish a schedule that ensures different work teams will not meet; 2m
 - Identify a team of people for replacements.
- Exclude any symptomatic person from the workspace as well as any persons that have been in contact with a symptomatic person or a person that has been placed in isolation because of COVID-19.
- Inform parents, tutors, service providers, subcontractors and partners of prevention measures implemented at equestrian establishments to control risks associated with COVID-19 and raise awareness of how important it is for them to limit their movement on the stable grounds as much as possible.
- Special attention should be given to spaces that work as bottlenecks (ex: bathroom entrance, exit, stairs, eating area, etc.) to avoid long lines of people gathered in the same place.

DISPLAY / INFORMATION

- Communicate with your clients ahead of time. Inform them of your registration, payment, cancellation and acknowledgement of risk policies.
- Favor electronic exchanges.
- Install displays about hygiene and physical distancing measures.
- Display, at the entrance of the building, the maximum authorized capacity

FIRST AID

- Make necessary personal protective equipment available, including procedure masks and eye protection.
- Add gloves, procedure masks, eye protection, resealable bags and an alcohol-based solution containing at least 60% alcohol to first aid kits.
- Provide a place to isolate a participant that presents symptoms. The participant should be accompanied by only one employee and they should both wear a procedure mask until the participant leaves the premises. The employee must then disinfect the room, remove their protective equipment using proper technique (CNESST) and wash their hands before returning to their other tasks.
- Offer employees training covering measures to follow linked to COVID-19.

CLEANING AND DISINFECTION

- Facilitate access to disinfecting products at key locations.
- Ensure proper operation and maintenance of the ventilation system.
- Establish a schedule for cleaning and disincfection.
- Provide bins or a space for material to disinfect separate from the space where clean material is stored.
- Provide no contact trash cans.
- Establish a communication system to indicate if the bathroom has been used.
- For the bathroom, when accessible, cleaning should ideally be done every 2 to 4 hours. For this measure to be effective, participants should be asked to wash their hands before using the bathroom and before exiting.



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WORKERS

RISK MANAGEMENT

A worker must become familiar with the prevention program applicable to him and take the necessary measures to ensure his health, safety or physical well-being (ACT RESPECTING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY, article 49)

PROTECTION

Workers must wear a mask or a face cover inside a building of the equestrian establishment.







CLEANING AND EQUIPMENT

- Limit the sharing of accessories and professional devices:
 - Clean and disinfect collective equipment often or as soon as it is not in use;
 - Wash tools and equipment used by workers after each work period or when they must be shared;
 - Clean and disinfect visible stains on surfaces and objects immediatly.
- ✓ Plan for frequent cleaning and disinfection of surfaces, especially the ones that are touched often.
- Clean or brush surfaces to remove all organic matter before disinfecting them.
- Do not share cleaning equipment with clients or service providers.

Recommanded products



- Alcohol-based solution containing at least 60% of alcohol;
- Bleach-based solution (1 part bleach: 9 parts water);
- Over the counter cleaning products containing hydrogen.

Please read and apply the product manufacturer's recommendations for use.