

Equine Biosecurity Protocol As of April 5, 2022

In response to the recent EHV-1 outbreak in California and similar cases reported in other states, Tryon International Equestrian Center (TIEC) is increasing our biosecurity protocols to do our part to keep your horses safe, as well as those of your fellow competitors.

Horses are NOT allowed to enter property if:

- The horse has known symptoms of EHV or has been treated for EHV-1/4 within the past 28 days.
- Horse has been at a facility under quarantine for EHV-1/4 or exposed to any horses showing symptoms of EHV-1/4 within the past 28 days.

Horses entering property MUST:

- Have a current Coggins test within one year and be vaccinated for Influenza at least 2 weeks and no more than 6 months prior to arrival.
- Have a current Health Certification for all out of NC state horses.
- Horse has received regular and consistent vaccination against Equine Influenza and EHV-1/4 with the most recent booster being within 180 days (as per USEF GR 845).
- Current vaccination against WNV, EEE, WEE, Tetanus. *Rabies vaccine is strongly recommended.*

Upon Arrival:

- We require all barns to check the temperature of all horses once they arrive at TIEC, prior to entering the barn. If a horse has a temperature of 101.5 or higher, TIEC management must be contacted immediately and the horse placed in an isolation stall, on-site to allow for time to recheck temperature prior to entering the barn.
- TIEC will require all barns on TIEC show grounds to maintain a temperature log with twice-daily temperatures recorded and require posting on each horse's stall door. Random checks by approved veterinary staff may be implemented.
- Any horse on the show grounds with a fever of unknown origin or of suspicious origin must be reported to TIEC Management immediately. It is always better to



err on the side of safety. Isolation stalls will either be available on the grounds 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:

- Take all horses' temperature daily and report any horse with a temperature above 101.5 degrees Fahrenheit or any signs of respiratory or neurological disease to your veterinarian and/or show management
- 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.
- TIEC 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: United States Department of Agriculture Information on Equine Herpesvirus

American Association of Equine Practitioners FAQ on Equine Herpesvirus

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

Report any issues or concerns to:

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Or TIEC Stabling Manager, Lance Bennett- Ibennett@tryon.com, 561.847.1930

If you have any questions or concerns about your horse's health, please contact our veterinary partners: Tryon Equine Hospital at 828.894.6065/ Dr. Anne Baskett 864.415.1912