

## Sweet Briar College Riding Program COVID COMPETITION PROCEDURES

The following COVID-19 Guidelines must be adhered when competing and/or attending our competitions. In addition, all Federal, State, and local laws that may be applicable must be followed. Management reserves the right to change the guidelines when/if necessary. Failure to follow guidelines may result in expulsion from the campus and showgrounds. The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to the virus. (Visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) or [www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/) for more details.)

As part of Sweet Briar College's COVID-19 procedures, all horse show participants and visitors must enter the campus through the main gate. Campus Safety checks in all individuals entering the campus. Questions regarding recent health and activity will be asked as well as temperatures will be taken of all individuals.

If you plan to come to the competition grounds, you must be able to assure management that neither you nor anyone in your household:

1. Has tested positive or has been presumed positive for COVID-19 at any time during the past 14 days
2. Has been advised by a healthcare professional to self-quarantine at any time during the past 14 days
3. Has been in close physical contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who has been presumed positive for COVID-19, during the past 14 days
4. Is subject to a quarantine order or a recommendation of a healthcare professional that, in either case, would make it inadvisable to attend a public event or competition
5. Has, within the past 24 hours, exhibited any of the following symptoms attributed to COVID-19, including but not limited to, a fever of 99.5° or greater, cough and/or shortness of breath.

Anyone who exhibits COVID19 symptoms or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID19 within the last two weeks, cannot enter the college campus which includes the horse show grounds.

A facemask or face covering is required for all people on the campus and competition grounds unless mounted on a horse.

Please allow an extra 5-10 mins for the check in with wait time. There will be plenty of signs directing traffic to the riding center for the horse show (parking will be behind the indoor arena, on the East side of the facility and along the road(away from the main stables) There are 2 round-a-bouts, the first one is easy, the second one is smaller, just go slow and swing wide. Once you reach the stable area, you may park along the road as signs indicate.

If you plan to come to the competition grounds, you must follow these guidelines.

General/Horse Show Grounds:

- FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN BY ALL PARTIES AT ALL TIMES WHEN UNMOUNTED AND WITHIN 6-FOOT DISTANCE TO ONE ANOTHER WHEN ON THE SHOW GROUNDS.
- Anyone entering the show grounds both on competition days and schooling days will be subject to a temperature check. Anyone with a temperature above 100.4 will not be permitted onto the grounds.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided around the show grounds, please maintain regular hand washing and hand sanitizing practices.
- Please maintain 6-foot social distance at all times (this is equivalent to a landing or take off to a jump...or two people steps).
- Unless you are a Sweet Briar College employee, student or are stabled overnight, please do not enter the barn for any reason.
  - o The office will be located in a tent or trailer by the outdoor ring.
  - o The outside wash stall by the cottage stable is available to exhibitors only.
- The bathroom in the barn is off limits to guests. A Porta Johns will be available next to the outdoor arena. Disinfecting supplies will be located at the Porta Potty. It will be up to each user to disinfect surfaces prior to use.
- Hand sanitizer will be available near the office and Porta Potty.
- Concessions will not be provided on the show grounds. Please arrive equipped with sufficient food and water. We are sorry for this inconvenience but feel it will be safer not to provide concessions.
- Please use trash receptacles, so that staff does not have to come in contact with contaminated items that are not discarded properly. DO NOT LITTER!
- Exhibitors should limit the amount of time they spend at the competition. Enjoy your ride, but please do not hang around too long when you are done.
- Trainers will be responsible for the contact and adherence to the rules and guidelines set forth during the competition. Trainers and/or barns are subject to expulsion from the grounds if guidelines are not followed. Please discuss with your group the importance of following the guidelines.
- We request that exhibitors exercise extreme caution when inviting friends, family and other guests to spectate. Please respect that for the time being we are attempting to reduce unnecessary traffic as we resume competition in our sport.
- Dogs are not allowed at the competition. Dogs can potentially come in contact with multiple people during social settings, therefore we ask that dogs aren't allowed.
- All competitors and attendees are responsible for monitoring their own personal and family health prior too, during, and after attending a competition. If anyone who was present on the competition grounds test positive for COVID-19 within 14 days of the conclusion of the competition they must notify Sweet Briar College Riding Program immediately. ▪

Entries/Show Office:

- MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN IN THE SHOW OFFICE.
- One representative per barn will be allowed into the horse show office prior to the competition to leave open checks and receive back numbers and after the competition to close the entries.
- No more than one exhibitor/trainer may enter the show office area at any time.
- Please wait in line outside the show office tent/trailer, maintaining 6-foot social distancing – that would be equivalent to a take off or landing to a jump.
- Online entries are highly recommended.

- All exhibitors must sign the WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT prior to receiving back numbers.
- Add/Scratching may be done online up until 6:00 AM on the day of competition.

#### Checking In/Order of Go/In – Gate:

- MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN IN THE IN-GATE AREA UNLESS MOUNTED.
- Social distancing of 6-feet must be maintained at all times (again – same as landing or take off distance to a jump).
- Orders of go will be created prior to each division to help limit the number of people in the schooling areas and in gate area. Please check in with the In gate worker in advance of your division.
- The In-Gate Area will be restricted to riders, trainers and grooms only.
- Loitering will not be permitted in the in-gate area.
- Courses will be posted both at the in-gate and the schooling area.
- We ask trainers and exhibitors to be conscious of the schedule and ensure that they arrive with their riders to the ring on time so that we can maintain the schedule throughout the day to the best of our ability for all of our exhibitors.

#### Schooling Area:

- MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN IN THE SCHOOLING AREA UNLESS MOUNTED.
- Social distancing of 6-feet must be maintained at all times (again – same as landing or take off distance to a jump).
- Riders, trainers and grooms only are permitted in this area.
- There should be no more than six horses in the schooling area at one time. When the space is needing to be limited, the schooling area will only be open for the next six horses scheduled to compete.
- 2 people per jump are allowed in the schooling area at any given time – that is a total of 4 people.
- Hand sanitizer must be used prior to jump adjustment and after jump adjustment. Hand sanitizer will be provided for you at the entrance to the schooling area.
- Schooling will be available the day before the show and the morning of in a ticketed style format. Friday schooling will be from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. Saturday AM schooling will be from 7 - 8:30AM. Six horses will be allowed in the ring at one time.