



Guidelines and Actions for its Competitions and Facility to resume under current Social Distancing and other Federal, State, and Local Requirements. (Updated July 7, 2020)

This is a working draft that will continue to be updated as we receive updates and information from the USEF, Federal, State and Local authorities, and/or other official sources. We are providing this in order to ensure the safest environment possible when horse shows resume. The following Policies and Rules must be adhere to when on the Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center and Maffitt Lake Farms premise. Failure to follow the Policies and Rules may result in expulsion from the farm and show grounds.

In order to enter Maffitt Laker Equestrian Center and Maffitt Lake Farms, you must be able to assure management that neither you, nor anyone in your household:

- Have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days?

(Note, this does not apply to medical personnel, first responders, or other individuals who encounter COVID-19 as part of their professional or caregiving duties while wearing appropriate PPE.)

- Are experiencing a cough, shortness of breath or sore throat?
- Have had a fever in the last 48 hours?
- Have had a new loss of taste or smell?
- Have had vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours?

For additional up-to-the-moment information: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus>

USE OF FACILITY

All vehicles and trailers entering the competition grounds will be subject to inspection and provide proof of admittance. All vehicles will be presented a copy of the current COVID- 19 competition guidelines upon entering. Complimentary masks will be available for those who do not have their own.

There will be no day-hauling until further notice. Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center and Maffitt Lake Farms must be able to know exact number of horses on premise at all times in order to keep human numbers (based on a formula).

Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center and Maffitt Lake Farms is open to Essential People ONLY. This consists of Trainers, Riders, Owners, Parent/Guardian of minor participant, Grooms, Braiders, Competition Staff, and Support Staff (farriers, veterinarians, vendors, official show photographer). If you are not considered essential based on the above list, you are NOT ALLOWED to enter Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center or Maffitt Lake Farms.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE: NO SPECTATORS, NO EXTENDED FAMILY (only parent or guardian), NO FRIENDS. If you are NOT directly involved with a horse/pony competing, you are NOT allowed on competition grounds. Any barn or trainer found in violation of current non-essential guidelines may be expelled from the facility

Trainers will be held responsible for the conduct and adherence to the policies and rules set forth during the competition. PLEASE discuss with everyone who will be attending the shows the importance of following the direction of horse show staff and security personnel.

Trainers are expected to keep their clients' barn-time limited. The less people we have in the barn areas, the better we are able to protect ourselves and fellow show attendees.

The majority of stabling are is shed-row type with the remainder aisle-way stabling. Extra attention will be placed on spacing in the barn aisles.

It is expected that each barn group do their part in keeping the stabling area clean & sanitized. Each in-gate has limited spacing, and it will be expected that attention is given to allowing for social distancing in these areas. Only 1 other person may accompany trainer/rider to the ring (example: parent or groom).

Online entries and payments are strongly recommended. Please visit www.horseshowsonline.com to enter and pay.

Class check-in procedures for classes will be done through In-Gate Personnel.

Copies of courses will be made available and posted on the Maffitt Lake Instagram and Facebook Page each day to relieve congestion around course boards.

SAFETY/MITIGATING THE SPREAD

Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 30 seconds. If soap and water is unavailable, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Hand sanitizers will be placed around the show facility, including around the rings and in the stabling area.

Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center Officials and Staff, service staff, and participants will wear a face mask or face covering in any setting where there is a POSSIBILITY of being within 6' of any other individual, and when not mounted on a horse.

Horse show staff members and officials entering the grounds will have their temperature checked upon arrival from medically trained staff. Individuals with a temperature of 99.5 or above will not be allowed on premise.

All competitors and attendees are responsible for monitoring their own personal and family health prior to, during, and after attending a competition.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

Disinfectants will be placed at/near each warm-up jump in order to wipe down or spray handled portions like jump cups or pins.

Signage will be posted throughout the showgrounds reminding of social distancing, handwashing and other safety guidelines, symptoms to watch for, etc. Public Address Announcements will be made throughout the day, each day, regarding current guidelines.

Social distancing guidelines must be followed at all times. This means there must be a minimum of 6' distance between individuals at all times.

There will be NO social gatherings, parties, or congregating anywhere on the facility.

In the event of inclement weather, shelter in your car. DO NOT GATHER IN THE BARNS.

GENERAL

No more than 8 people total in the show office, including show secretaries. Upon entering, please follow social distancing parameters as set forth in the office and wear a Personal Protection Mask. Plexiglass has been installed to assist in safety.

Braiding will be optional.

Dogs can potentially come in contact with multiple people if loose on competition grounds. Dogs MUST be confined/leashed at all times. If a dog is found loose on Maffitt Lake Farms property, owners will be asked to leave with their pet(s).

All **ribbons and awards** will be available at a designated Award Station. The Awards Station will be located in the The Hott Spot Coffee Trailer near the horse show office. Masks are required to pick up ribbons and awards.

All **feed and bedding orders** must be made in the new "Stabling Office" located west of the Graham Grand Prix Ring.

Food services: Specific guidelines for ordering, picking up and paying will be established. Tabs are strongly encouraged to decrease potential for contact contamination. ***Food Service hours will be limited, so please plan accordingly.***

Please discard of trash properly and use provided trash receptacles to avoid unnecessary handling of potentially contaminated items by staff. DO NOT LITTER!

ILLNESS PROTOCOL

For patients with respiratory illnesses who need assessment for COVID-19, the following are designated testing sites:

The Iowa Clinic West Des Moines Campus Medical Center

5950 University Ave
West Des Moines, IA 50266 (515) 875-9000
www.iowaclinic.com

Methodist Medical Center - Unity Point Health

Address: 1215 Pleasant St UNIT 206
Des Moines, IA 50309 (515) 241-6212
www.unitypoint.org

If someone suspects they have COVID-19 or feel ill, they must leave immediately. No exceptions.