

As the EQUITANA USA team is working hard to deliver a fantastic show, we understand that health & safety are very top of mind for everybody and would like to let you know how we are approaching these matters.

EQUITANA USA is committed to organizing our event in line with up to date guidance from public health officials, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and World Health Organization (WHO), state and local governments and the protocols put in place by our network of venue partners. As part of that commitment, and to prioritize the health and well-being of everyone at EQUITANA USA, we have created a Health & Safety Task Force to develop and implement policies and best practices around COVID-19 response and prevention. Our policies and best practices are being updated and adjusted as more information and guidance becomes available and we will regularly share the most up to date information with our customers.

At this time, we are focused on actively reviewing and strengthening our planning in connection with the following five areas: (1) show layout and logistics, (2) physical distancing, (3) health screening and medical response, (4) cleaning, sanitization and personal protective equipment, and (5) conference and special events. With these areas as our framework, we are committed to instituting the measures described below to align with and supplement the extensive guidelines and procedures of the Kentucky Horse Park (see below for key actions that the Kentucky Horse Park is taking in response to COVID-19).

When you are at EQUITANA USA, you can expect the following:

- Clear messaging that reflects all COVID-19 protocols and requirements displayed throughout the venue/event and provided in advance to all customers, vendors and staff;
- Approved self-assessments, non-invasive entry screening, and medical facilities and response teams;
- Hand sanitizer dispensers deployed throughout exhibit hall and other areas;
- Use of disinfectant products that have been pre-approved and certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for use against emerging viruses, bacteria, and other airborne and blood-borne pathogens;
- Clearly defined cleaning procedures, including sanitization of key touchpoints (such as door handles) during peak periods and regularly throughout the event;
- Modified exhibit floor to accommodate physical distancing, capacity limits and traffic flow;
- Modified common areas to ensure appropriate physical distancing and dedicated entrance and exit areas;
- Transparent barriers to provide physical distancing at Event management customer-contact areas and service elements;
- Clear guidelines around booth design and cleaning requirements for all exhibitors and on-site inspections to ensure compliance with those requirements;
- Limits on meetings/conference session/panel capacity and revised layouts for appropriate physical distancing;
- Additional time between meetings/conference sessions/panels to allow for thorough room cleaning and sanitization;
- No handshake policy; and
- Requiring the use of face coverings by all staff, customers and vendors (i) when the individual may not be able to maintain at least 6 feet of distance between themselves and others, or (ii) as required by state and local government.

Kentucky Horse Park

Policies and Procedures Implemented in Response to COVID-19

- The Kentucky Horse Park (KHP), through guidance from the US Equestrian Federation, has created guidelines surrounding events on the grounds in response to COVID-19.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Health Screenings: Temperature monitoring will be required for volunteers, officials, staff and service providers prior to entering the grounds.
 - Anyone who exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive within the last two weeks cannot enter the grounds.
 - Face coverings are required for all staff, officials, volunteers, service providers and participants when not mounted on a horse.
- Cleaning: Restroom facilities will have enhanced requirements for cleaning and sanitization.
 - All persons on the show grounds must wash hands often and adhere to other sanitation practices throughout the day.
- Emergency Response Plan: KHP will create an Emergency Response Plan specific to a COVID-19 incident or outbreak that includes local medical resources and addresses outbreak protocols including medical evaluation, isolation and quarantine, and reporting.
 - If an outbreak occurs, all participants and staff must be notified.
 - Staff, volunteers and licensed officials will receive training on all procedures and requirements associated with the Plan.
 - All vendors and service providers will be included in the communication and training requirements associated with the Plan.
- Physical Distancing: Physical distancing requirements will be enforced throughout the grounds at all times.
- General KHP Additional Guidelines:
 - It is recommended that exhibitors arrive at the horse show dressed and ready to compete in order to reduce contact.
 - Tack, grooming supplies, stall handles and other similar high contact items and surfaces must be disinfected between uses.

The US Equestrian Federation COVID-19 Action Plan is available online [here](#).