



## **Lipizzaner Association of Australasia Event Safety & Biohazard Guidelines**

The following guidelines outline the expected health and safety standards when conducting a Lipizzaner Association of Australasia (LAA) event that is typically held on private property, such as a farm or stud.

These guidelines are to be followed to ensure the safety of LAA Members, Volunteers, Visitors/Participants and horses at any event coordinated by representatives of the LAA.

### **Event Safety**

When planning an event it is important that safety considerations are managed so far as is reasonably practical.

#### **1. General Safety Assessment**

- The proposed venue should be inspected for hazards and safety considerations for both horse and human. Some examples include reasonable fencing, caps on steel posts, respite areas for visitors etc.
- Should a hazard be identified then it should be removed or quarantined and appropriate signage installed to warn of the hazard.

#### **2. Walkways and Parking**

- Pedestrian walkways should be in reasonable condition and clear of obstacles, horses and vehicles.
- Vehicles and floats should have a designated parking area that allows safe movement of horses and their owners.
- Visitor parking should be separate to float parking where practicable.

#### **3. Emergency Planning**

- Event coordinators must identify local medical or emergency services numbers where appropriate. For all other medical emergencies dial 000 (landline) or 112 (mobile).
- A first aid kit should be made available on site and contain as a minimum disposable gloves, compression bandages, triangular bandages, gauze and combine dressings, bandaids and saline. A resuscitation tube is also recommended.
- For large events a First Aid representative from St John's Ambulance should be invited to attend.

#### **4. Signage**

- A sign must be displayed at the entry point stating "No Responsibility for Vehicles Entering Premises."
- A sign must be displayed "Children must be supervised by an Adult at all times when around horses and vehicles"

#### **5. Control of Animals**

- Participants should be discouraged from bringing dogs or other pets.
- Any dog present at the venue must be on a leash and under control of the owner at all times.
- Any dog which becomes disruptive must be removed immediately from the venue or securely locked up where it cannot cause problems.



## 6. Record Keeping

- A record must be kept of any injury or incident with the potential to cause injury. This information should include the names of parties involved, the names and descriptions of their horses (if appropriate), their contact phone numbers and a description of the incident or injury. (See Page 3)

## Event Biohazard Safety

When planning an event it is important to prevent the introduction of infectious diseases to horses and to minimise the spread of disease agents.

### 1. Clean Water and Facilities

- The venue should be inspected to ensure it is clean.
- The history of the venue should be checked to ensure there have been no recent outbreaks of equine diseases.
- Clean water source should be available for horses.
- Horse owners should use their own buckets for watering their horses.
- Any stabling offered should be clean. The horse owner should be asked to supply their own bedding and to clean the stable at the conclusion.
- Under no circumstances will stabling or tethering of horses be permitted under trees where bats may have been present.

### 2. Horses Identified with Symptoms

- Any horse identified with symptoms that are a cause for concern should be quarantined and excluded from the event.
- The horse owner is responsible for veterinary care.
- The owner shall determine if the horse is well enough to travel and should be encouraged to remove the horse from the event as soon as possible.
- The area where the horse was stabled or tied should continue to be quarantined throughout the event.
- Event coordinators should wear rubber boots and gloves if coming into contact with an infected horse. The boots and gloves should be placed into a plastic bag for decontamination after use.

### 3. Managing People during a Biohazard Event

- Ensure that LAA Members and Volunteers are familiar with these Event Safety and Biohazard Guidelines and are willing to coordinate spectators and/or participants away from the potentially contaminated area.

### 4. Record Keeping

- A record must be kept of any incident with the potential to cause a biohazard. This information should include the names of parties involved, the names and descriptions of their horses (if appropriate), their contact phone numbers and a description of the incident or illness. (See Page 3)

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## Event Safety Hazard Record

Name of Event	Date	Venue

Persons Involved: Name	Telephone Number	Horse's name (if relevant)	Description of Horse

Description of Incident:

Details of Action Taken:

Comments:

Name of LLA Coordinator/Incident Manager:	
Signature:	