

## **DISCLAIMER FOR COVID-19 SYMPTOMS OR CONTACTS**

PVRA has asked us to make sure our members are abiding by the safety guidelines posted at the gate and to read and sign the following sign in/ signature form.

A signature page for riders and family members in attendance will be made for each date. The information will be kept with our usual attendance records and would only be consulted if there is a question of someone testing positive for COVID-19 and the need to contact others who may have been exposed.

PVRA has also asked that anyone becoming sick or testing positive for COVID-19 refrain from coming on the grounds and contact the club or board so others may be alerted to their possible exposure.

### **PLEASE ANSWER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

Do you have a cough?

Have you had recent shortness of breath ?

Have you been running a fever or have one now?

Have you experienced a loss of smell or loss of taste?

Are you living with someone or had close contact with someone who currently has COVID-19 or is currently in self quarantine for the disease?

**\*\*\*IF YOUR ANSWER TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS IS YES, PLEASE EXIT THE FACILITY AND DO NOT PARTICIPATE UNTIL YOU ARE ABLE TO ANSWER "NO" TO ALL OF THE QUESTIONS POSTED ABOVE\*\*\***

## **PVRA COVID-19 Response Plan for all Gymkhana Shows for 2020**

Poway Valley Riders Association is located on 14 acres with multiple arenas, open areas for parking, a snack bar “aka Chuckwagon” for food service, and male and female bathrooms. This document is intended to be a preliminary response plan for hosting a small Gymkhana show on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

The nature of each PVRA Gymkhana show is that it is always run with individual rides that makes it well suited to the needs for safety and physical distancing. The upcoming show could accommodate up to 30 riders during the day but the expectation is for a smaller turnout of 25 riders or fewer. Each individual event runs for a minimum of 1 minute and a maximum of 10 minutes and only one horse and rider is allowed in the arena at one time.

### **Brief outline of show activities:**

Gymkhana events evaluate the riding skills and training levels of each paid participant and horse during short individual rides performed in an arena. The judge sits outside the arena for each timed event and the finish time and/or any disqualifications are recorded by the judge or scribe who writes them down. The collective scores of each paid participant are then collectively posted at the end of each age category at the entry booth.

No other people or horses are allowed near the arena with the exception of leadliners which are from the same household. The next rider does not enter the arena until the first horse has left and the judge signals the rider to enter.

Gymkhana registration is done either in advance or onsite and participants usually arrive on the grounds 60 to 90 minutes before the start of the daily scheduled event. They fill out their rider and horse information sheets detailing events they wish to register and compete in and then promptly pay for their selected events and grounds fee. They then return to their horses to groom and tack up unless they arrive all ready to compete. Riders either trailer their horses onto the grounds or ride them in from the neighborhood. Horses and trailers are well spaced to prevent horses from kicking at each other and there is adequate acreage to prevent trailers from parking too close to each other.

Approximately 45 minutes before a scheduled start of events, a rider will warm up the horse in the designated warm up arena. Other horses will also be in the arena. Sometimes the rider will have a trainer present on the perimeter of the arena to coach them. The Ring steward, a show official, will alert the rider when the event start is getting near and events and names are announced over the loudspeaker indicating age category, event and rider order. The rider will then walk their horse to the outside of the event arena to wait approximately 20-30 feet away until the previous rider finishes their event and exits the arena.

Following the individual event, the rider usually returns to the trailer to get ready to leave or to wait for the next scheduled test. Sometimes riders who have trailered in with another horse will stay for the other rider to complete their tests.

Most riders wait until the results of their events have been posted so they can pick up their ribbons and prizes before leaving.

Because of the several events planned, not all riders register for all events and some riders do not stay the entire day but may arrive and depart around the events schedule.

**Proposed modifications for safety precautions and rules for physical distancing:**

1. The riders will receive written instructions for the safety precautions with their entry forms. They will be asked to agree to wear masks when not at a minimum of 6 ft. from other persons except if they already live in the same household.
2. The signed forms will be collected in advance with their registration forms via email or when they arrive for their entry packets.
3. A 6-foot barrier will be erected between the riders and the staff person in the entry booth.
4. Masks will be required when individuals are within 6 feet of each. Riders mounted on their horses will not be required to wear masks.
5. A personal communication system will be used to allow the judge and scribe to speak privately while being farther than 6 feet apart during the tests.
6. Scorers will use hand sanitizer frequently while scoring tests. Scored tests will be placed in 1-gallon plastic bags.
7. There are no designated bleachers or audience viewing areas. There are few spectators at these shows. Most people are directly connected with riders. They will be asked to physically distance themselves when watching at the warm-up or during event performance. Only people in the same household will be allowed to be within 6 feet of the rider at their trailer.
8. Since several riders may be warming up at the same time, two extra areas will be set up for the warm-up rides if the first one becomes crowded. This will allow for extra space for those riders with coaches. The Ring Steward will be present to monitor the number of horses in the warm-up and ask riders and coaches to move to the next warmup area.
9. Riders will be asked to leave the grounds as soon as possible after their paid events are scored and classes placed. In the case of multiple horses trailering together, riders will be asked to vacate the grounds as close as possible to the last scheduled ride time.
10. Multiple hand washing or sanitation stations will be available. Sanitizer will be available for the judge and scribe as well as at the entry /scoring booth.
11. The Chuckwagon (if used), which sells only drinks and prepackaged snacks, will have a 6-foot barrier for patrons. Gloves, hand sanitizer and a sink with soap will be available to workers inside. The tables adjacent to the Chuckwagon will be taken out of service.
12. Participants who do not follow the guidelines will be asked to leave the grounds.
13. The restroom will have the middle stall marked "out of order" to allow only two people to use it at once. A sign on the door will indicate that only two people may be inside at one time.
14. The grounds already include one handwashing station at the gate and sinks in the restroom.

# **COVID-19 Rules for Participation at all 2020 PVRA Gymkhana Shows**

## **Modifications for safety, precautions and rules for physical distancing**

1. Please consider this form as written instructions for COVID-19 safety precautions. All riders must read and sign below. The signed forms will be collected in advance via email or when you arrive for your entry packets.
2. Do not come if you are feeling sick or running a temperature. This applies to Riders, Coaches Rider assistants, volunteers and officials. Each rider is allowed one person as an assistant or coach. No general spectators.
3. Maintain a minimum of 6 ft. from all others except if they already live in the same household.
4. A 6-foot barrier will be erected between the riders and the official in the entry booth.
5. Masks will be required when individuals are within 6 feet of each. Riders mounted on their horses will not be required to wear masks. Only people in the same household will be allowed to be within 6 feet of the rider at their trailer.
6. Entry booth staff will use hand sanitizer frequently while scoring events. Winners of each event will be posted at the end of each age category for that event as well as announced overhead and all applicable ribbons and/or prizes will be left on the wall and/or counter to the left of the entry booth door.
7. Since several riders may be warming up at the same time, two extra areas will be set up for the warm-up rides if the designated warmup becomes crowded. This will allow for extra space for those riders with coaches. The Ring Steward will be present to monitor the number of horses in the warm-up and ask riders and coaches to move to a different warmup area.
8. Riders will be asked to leave the grounds as soon as possible after their tests. In the case of multiple horses trailering together, riders will be asked to vacate the grounds as close as possible to the last scheduled ride time.
9. Hand washing or sanitation stations will be available at the Front Gate and in the Restrooms. Sanitizer will be available for the judge and scribe as well as at the entry /scoring booth so that handling of entry forms with unsanitized hands are minimized.
10. The Chuckwagon(if used), which may sell only drinks and prepackaged snacks, will have a 6-foot barrier for patrons. Gloves, hand sanitizer and a sink with soap will be available to workers inside. The tables adjacent to the Chuckwagon will be taken out of service.
11. Participants who do not follow the guidelines will be asked to leave the grounds.
12. The restroom will have the middle stall marked "out of order" to allow only two people to use it at once. A sign on the door will indicate that only two people may be inside at one time.

\_\_\_\_\_ Rider's Signature  
(or legal guardian if rider is a minor)

\_\_\_\_\_ Rider Name(printed)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date