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# **EHV-1** Biosecurity

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- Enter the temperature of each horse twice daily for the 3 days leading up to the arrival at the event.
- Fill in a Horse Health FEI Self-Certification form for all horses attending the event. •

For clarification, the 3 days prior to your arrival at the Event are calculated as per this example: If you plan to arrive at the Event on Wednesday, you will have to enter the temperatures for the three preceding days, which are Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

In order to facilitate the examination on arrival at Badminton Village Hall the 'arrivals team' will be available on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May from 16.00 to 18.00 and on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May from 09.00 to 18.00. Arrival outside these hours will result in the horses' isolation. There should be no arrivals on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May unless by prior arrangement.

\*\*We would also like to remind you to bring your own thermometer to the event as you will have to take the temperature of each horse after unloading and again twice daily during the event, entering the results each time on the FEI HorseApp.

# All information & guidelines on how to use the FEI HorseApp can be found here: FEI HorseApp | FEI

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# EHV-1 Biosecurity Protocol and Contingency Plan

The following Biosecurity Protocol and Contingency Plans have been put in place in order to safeguard as far as is possible horses competing at Badminton CCI 5\*, in line with the recommendations and requirements of the International Equestrian Federation (FEI) to minimise risks of infection with EHV-1.

# **Biosecurity Protocol:**

Before Arrival at the Event

Arrival at the event.

During the Event.

#### Contingency Plan:

Isolation Zone.

Access to the Isolation Zone.

Horse stabling.

Hospitals/laboratories.

#### Appendix:

- Map of Village/stable/isolation area – see Map at end of this document

# **ACTION PROTOCOL**

#### **Before Arrival at the Event**

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In order to facilitate the examination on arrival at Badminton the 'arrivals team' will be available on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> May from 16.00 to 18.00 and on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May from 09.00 to 18.00. Arrival outside these hours will result in the horses' isolation. There should be no arrivals on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May *unless by prior arrangement*.

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As of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022, the EHV-1 By-Law Sanction system is in full force:

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#### Arrival at the event:

- 1. Lorry reception will take place at Badminton Village Hall, Post Code GL9 1ET
- 2. Horses will be examined by one of the Veterinary Surgeons available.

The Horse's microchip will be read and checked with their Passport. Vaccination dates will be checked to ensure the horse is up to date with compulsory vaccinations for Equine Influenza. Please see FEI Veterinary Regulations Article 1003 via following link. <u>FEI Vet Regs</u> 2024

The passport will be retained by The Veterinary Delegate for the period of the Event and validated.

#### Clinical examination:

Each horse will have its temperature taken <u>by the rider/groom</u> and this will be recorded by the attending vet, who will note down the temperature in the FEI HorseApp as well as making a general clinical assessment.

If the horse's temperature is over 38.5°C, the horse will be rechecked after a period of rest. If the horse then tests as equal to or below 38.5°C the horse will be accepted and may be taken to its stable.

In the case that the horse's temperature continues to be above 38.5°C the **Contingency Plan** will be put into operation. The horse and <u>any horses travelling on the same vehicle</u> will be moved to the Isolation Zone.

The Contingency plan is outlined in the second part of this document.

If the horse's temperature is normal on the following day and it is verified that the horse does not present any other infectious symptoms, the animal will be transferred to its assigned stable.

3. Horses passing the Examination on Arrival will be directed by a member of the Arrivals Team to their assigned stable where kit can also be unloaded. Further paperwork and instructions will be issued by The Stable Managers' Office.

#### During the event:

#### 1. Stable areas:

The stables at Badminton are large permanent stables with good ventilation.

All stables will be cleaned, disinfected, and sealed before the arrival of horses.

Hand sanitisers will be available at the entrances to the stabling areas.

Horses that have travelled together from abroad will be placed together in the same group but with sufficient separation between each of them.

# 2. The temperature of each horse must be taken twice daily (morning and evening) by the rider or groom and must be noted down in the FEI HorseApp.

#### 3. In the case of suspicious symptoms arising during the event (fever etc):

The horse will be examined by a member of the veterinary team and, if considered to be necessary, isolated to a designated Isolation box after consultation with the FEI Veterinary Delegate.

All 'in contact' horses will be kept under close observation.

Relevant procedures will be taken, and the Contingency Plan brought into action.

In accordance with current FEI regulations any horse with a rectal temperature recorded at 38.5c (101.3F) or above and/ or showing clinical signs consistent with EHV (equine herpes) infection shall be tested (nasopharyngeal swab) for such infectious agents and maintained in isolation pending negative results.

#### **CONTINGENCY PLAN**

#### 1. Isolation Area:

There will be an Isolation Area which will be more than 50m away from the main stabling area. Stables in this area will be cleaned and disinfected prior to the Event.

There will be a sufficient number of stables available proportional to the number of horses attending the event.

#### 2. Access to the Isolation Area:

Only those in charge of the care of an isolated horse may enter the isolation area. Pets are prohibited in the isolation area.

#### 3. Horse Stabling:

Disposable gloves and other items will be available in the isolation area.

Each horse will have a separate tack space to prevent cross contamination of other horses by sharing equipment.

Hand disinfection points will be placed at the entrance / exit of the isolation area and there will be an area to change clothes and shoes before exiting.

#### 4. Care and Monitoring of Isolated horses:

a) Rectal temperature must be taken twice each day, morning and evening and **must be** noted down in the FEI HorseApp.

It is important to assess the general appearance of the horse (discharge from nostrils and eyes, any changes in the consistency and number of droppings etc) and its wellbeing noted plus any changes in water or feed consumption. These changes should be reported to the treating Veterinary Surgeon.

Any horse in isolation will be examined at least twice daily by a member of the Veterinary Team. Treatment will be given as required.

Footwear and clothing should be washed and disinfected after use with each horse, as well as coveralls and disposable gloves which should be carefully disposed of after each use.

**b)** The Veterinary Centre in the main farmyard is manned throughout the day by B&W Equine Vets. Veterinary assistance can be obtained outside these hours by

contacting: 01453 811867. A full list of telephone numbers is posted on the door of the Veterinary Office in the Stable Yard. (John Killingbeck 07770 682535, Ollie Crowe 07831 231047 and Richard Hepburn 07717 802181).

**c)** In the case that a horse needs to be transported to the B&W Equine Hospital there is a horse ambulance permanently on site.

**d)** PPE: Specific equipment will be used for each horse in the isolation area. All equipment that is shared such as thermometers etc, will be disinfected between horses. Materials that cannot be disinfected (brushes and sponges etc) will be for individual use with each horse.

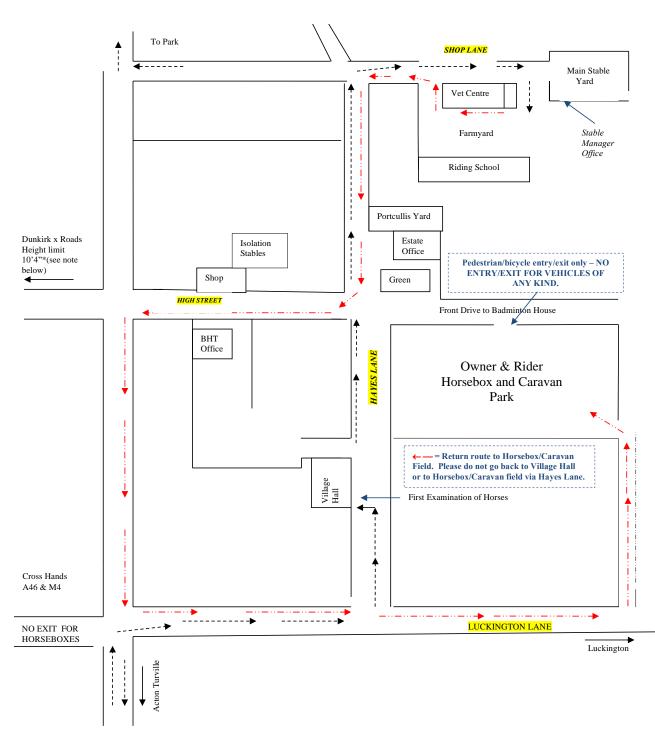
#### 5. Veterinary Hospital /Laboratory:

B&W Equine Hospital Breadstone Berkeley Gloucestershire GL13 9HG Tel: 01453 811867 Fax: 01453 512076

Axiom Veterinary Laboratories Ltd Manor House Brunel Road Newton Abbot Devon, TQ12 4PB 01626 355655

Directions - for both places please use google maps using post codes as per above

The Post code for Badminton in GL9 1DF



\*Access to Badminton via this route is limited to horseboxes and vehicles less than 10' 4" in height. If in doubt and you are approaching from the North - please continue to Cross Hands junction on A46 and take B4040 to Acton Turville and then Badminton.

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