# **SAFETY PLAN**

# Manitoba Horse Trials March 2023

#### Decision Makers are listed as:

- Safety Coordinator
- EMTs
- On Call Veterinarian
- Announcer
- Control
- Dressage Judge
- Show Committee
- Complaints Committee

#### **Possible Emergencies:**

- Injury to Human– Competitor or Spectator
- Injury to Horse Competitor or Spectator
- Extreme Weather (ie. lightening)

# **RIDER Emergency Action Plan (Cross-Country and Stadium):**

- 1. Medic is called to location of incident.
  - a. Injured person to remain in the same location until assessed by medic
- 2. All jumping is ceased
  - a. Announcer to indicate over loudspeaker there is a hold (stop the jumping of all horses immediately)
  - b. This may require a hold on cross-country if running on intervals
  - c. There may be a loose horse
- 3. If the injury is serious, the EAP is activated, and control is identified.
  - a. If ambulance required:
    - 1. Call ambulance
    - 2. Safety Coordinator OR nearest decision maker assigns handler to horse (if not already established)
    - 3. If fall of horse, have on-call vet assess over the phone
    - 4. Hold the show until ambulance arrives
    - 5. Decision makers to assess cause of incident and remove any hazards/causes (if applicable)
    - 6. Following the departure of the ambulance, officials will complete the incident report for submission to Equestrian Canada if applicable
    - Once ambulance departs and medic is prepared, show committee will indicate a competition commencement time and announcer will indicate over loudspeaker
  - b. If ambulance not required:
    - 1. Rider to be assessed by EMT

2. Once rider released and EMT are available, show committee will indicate a competition commencement time and announcer will indicate over loudspeaker

# **RIDER Emergency Action Plan (Dressage):**

- 1. Announcer to announce loose horse (if necessary)
- 2. If the injury is serious, the EAP is activated, and control is identified.
  - a. If ambulance required:

Call ambulance – Assign someone to call 911 & provide GPS coordinates (approximately 50.017957, -96.873037) and description of pilot vehicle.

- 1. Safety Coordinator OR nearest decision maker assigns handler to horse (if not already established)
- 2. Hold the show until ambulance arrives.
- 3. Decision makers to assess cause of incident and remove any hazards/causes (if applicable)
- 4. Following the departure of the ambulance, officials will complete the incident report for submission to Equestrian Canada if applicable.
- 5. Once ambulance arrives, show committee will indicate a competition commencement time and announcer will indicate over loudspeaker.

# HORSE Emergency Action Plan:

- 1. Initiate EAP and identify control if there is an injured, sick, or deceased horse.
- 2. Call on-call veterinary official.
- 3. Have required personnel assist veterinary official to treat horse.
- 4. Have on-site horse ambulance available determine trailers that will be available ahead of time.
- 5. Ensure a tarp is available in the event a deceased horse needs to be covered.

#### **Extreme Weather Action Plan:**

- 1. Extreme weather is defined as:
  - 1. Lightning
  - 2. Hail
  - 3. Tornados
  - 4. Heat index as per heat policy
  - 5. Anything else deemed extreme by veterinary official or event committee.
- 2. If extreme weather has been reached the show will be suspended
  - 1. Announcer to announce that the show will be suspended for a set amount of time
  - 2. Horses/riders will be sent back to barns/seek shelter in nearest safe place
- 3. Once extreme weather passes, the show committee will indicate a competition commencement time and announcer will indicate over loudspeaker.

