

SAFETY REMINDERS

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Please Note These Safety Reminders:

The Equestrian Sports Management Team adopted the following safety requirements to avoid any unnecessary accidents:

- 1) All riders must have safety stirrups (i.e. tapadero, peacock, break away, S-stirrups, J-stirrups).
- 2) Helmets are required for all athletes and partners when they are handling a horse. Helmets must be worn by all athletes, partners, and riding center/barn volunteers when riding on a horse.
- 3) If your rider can not wear boots, you must provide a doctor's slip stating that. Please bring it to registration with your medicals.
- 4) All riders without a horse handler clipped on must have reins attached to the bit. If your horse handler is clipped on at all times, the reins may be attached to the halter.
- 5) If the horse can not wear a bit, you must bring a note from your veterinarian.
- 6) All volunteers (side walkers, horse handlers, and those preparing the horses in the barn) are expected to wear hard-toed shoes (not tennis shoes or sandals).
- 7) For safety purposes in all driving classes, you must have a support person with a 2nd set of reins attached to the bit of the horse and in the support person's hands in the cart at all times.
- 8) Only those horses that are being staged/mounted for the next class will be allowed in the staging area. Unmounted horses are to be returned to their stall.
- 9) Please keep all barn aisles clear. Each Riding Center is given additional stalls in addition to tack stalls to keep chairs in to congregate.
- 10) Only Competitors and Horse Handlers are Allowed in Staging Area.

These will be enforced at Tack Check, so please comply.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these, please address them to the Equestrian Sport Management Team member prior to the competition day.