

Equestrian Western Australia Procedures for Resuming Sport Activities at the State Equestrian Centre in the COVID-19 Environment

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Overview



Equestrian Western Australia (EWA) is planning for the resumption of sport activities at the State Equestrian Centre (SEC) in the coming weeks. The priority is the health and safety of all SEC patrons and facility staff, this requires many new procedures to ensure that as a facility the SEC meets regulatory requirements and that those attending the SEC also adhere to the current COVID-19 recommendations.

The management of these new recommendations have resulted in a review of how we can open the SEC under the 20 person rule and also plan for future sport activities as restrictions are eased. This has resulted in many changes and these are outlined below and mostly include how we plan to be compliant with COVID-19 health safety requirements.

One of the changes is that all those that ride at the SEC will be required to make a booking and a fee will apply on all bookings. Park and Ride will remain closed and access to the bridlepath from the SEC will also remain closed so we can be compliant with numbers as per Government directive. This

has become necessary so the costs involved with a limited opening to allow riding activities during the 20 person rule can be in some way mitigated. We know the importance of opening the SEC for training and the only means of doing this while we are not allowed to open fully has been to introduce these new procedures.

State Equestrian Centre

COVID-19 Procedures

No riding for free, all riding will require a booking and a hire fee will apply to all bookings including the GP Field and Grounds bookings

Park and Ride will remain closed.

Bridle trail access gates will remain closed to enable control of numbers at the facility.

All entry to the SEC will be via the main entrance to allow monitoring of numbers for compliance with Government regulations. All entry will need a verified booking to come onsite.

Government Regulations must be met at all times - you must remain in the area you have booked no socialising 'Get in, train and get out'

A limit of 10 bookings per hour per area allowing for 2 persons per horse

Gates will open at 8am and will be closed at 6pm Monday to Sunday.

You are not to arrive more than 45 minutes prior to booking.

Please depart within ½ hour of your booking finishing so the next person can come in.

The Indoor Arena will open but the Stadium seating will remain closed until restrictions ease.

Indoor areas such as Classroom 57m² allowed 13 people maximum and Ocean Foam Room 67m² allowed 16 people maximum to comply with 4m² area per person and 1.5m social distancing - where possible meetings should be done online or via phone conference

Hand Hygiene stations will be set up at entry/exit points

Any Equipment used must be cleaned after use

Training Clubs/Groups

* Horsemen's Adults Riding Club

* Swan Valley Horse and Pony Club

* Perth Polocrosse Club

* EWA Squad Activities

* WA Showjumping Association

* Other clinics

1. All club/organiser must have pre-approval of their training days prior to advertising clinic
2. They will need to provide their risk assessment and protocol for their activity including set up/pack down and cleaning of equipment and areas used during clinic
3. Total Numbers for clinics include Coaches/helpers and accompanying people - There will be a head count of clinic numbers and any breach will result in the activity being shut down and participants send home
4. Strict time frames are to be adhered to in order to comply with Government regulations so that numbers of people are not in breach on changeover to next session -no socialising **'Get in, train and get out'**
5. All clubs are to enforce that members remain in the areas they have been allocated at all times

4. The Toilet block at the SVHPC will be open and will be required to be cleaned and disinfected after your clinic by your club/organiser - A compliance officer will be checking this has been done after your departure as per terms of hiring the area. Each club/organiser are to provide their own disinfectant and sanitiser. A Cleaning Schedule will be on the wall in the toilet block for you to sign off that it has been cleaned to requirements
5. Consideration should be given as to whether it is appropriate to have a food van available as this will encourage spectators/riders to come into close proximity with each other. It may be better to schedule clinics around lunch or BYO food/drink for the time being

*** GP Field**

*** International Arena**

*** Indoor Warm-Up Arena**

*** Indoor Arena (stadium seating & toilets closed)**

1. These areas can be used with parking where you can either tie up to float or self-yard in the paddock on the right of the driveway opposite the Indoor warm up. There will be NO STABLES available
2. The Wash Bay at the Stables will be available to use and will be required to be cleaned and disinfected after your clinic by your club/organiser. A compliance officer will be checking this has been done after your departure as per terms of hiring the area. Each club/organiser are to provide their own disinfectant and sanitiser
3. The Toilet block at the Stables will be open and will be required to be cleaned and disinfected after your clinic by your club/organiser. A compliance officer will be checking this has been done after your departure as per terms of hiring the area. Each club/organiser are to provide their own disinfectant and sanitiser. A Cleaning Schedule will be on the wall in the toilet block for you to sign off that it has been cleaned to requirements
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Casual Hire

1. While restrictions are in place all entry to SEC will be by Paid bookings only - No riding on the grounds for FREE
2. Use only the area you have booked
3. Working on limit of 10 bookings per hour allowing for 2 persons per horse for safety
4. Park at the area closest to your booked area either at SVHPC area, SEC stable car park or Lot 33 parking beside Indoor arena
5. SEC yards available (yards marked off to keep social distancing and reducing cleaning)- but must be cleaned and disinfected
6. SVHPC toilet block and Stable toilets open but must be cleaned and disinfected
7. SVHPC wash bay and Stable wash bay open must be cleaned and disinfected
8. Compliance officer to check all requirements met