

## **BIOSECURITY INFORMATION SHEET**

## Important biosecurity information for riders and others planning to attend

In an environment where <u>COVID-19</u> remains a risk to human health, endurance events will incorporate some procedures that have not been necessary in the past.

Everyone attending the event is required to comply with the COVID-19 related infection control precautions that will be in place. They will be required to complete and bring along a **Corona Virus (COVID-19) Declaration** and to have reviewed the event **COVID Safety Plan**, Both can be obtained via the links on the ride information web page.

Hand hygiene will need to be performed regularly and social distancing measures will need to be followed at all times. The event COVID Safety Officer and members of the TEERA SMC will be assisting those in attendance to comply with these requirements.

Signage will be erected at a number of places around the ride base to guide those attending on what is required.

Please clean logbooks with a disinfectant wipe (or other appropriate method) before visiting the ride office.

At the same time, the <u>biosecurity requirements relating to horses</u> also need to receive more attention than has been the case at some events in the past.

Specifically, all people attending the event need to know that:

- They have a biosecurity obligation to take all reasonable steps to ensure their activities do not spread a pest, disease or contaminant.
- Horse Health Declarations (HHD) are a mandatory requirement for all rides.
  Acceptance into the event will be refused if the required HHD is not presented at point of entry or designated registration point.
- No horses with signs of illness are to be brought onto the grounds.
- Equipment, including food containers is not to be shared between horses.
- Direct nose to nose contact between horses that are not regularly in contact should be minimised.
- Horses, horse floats and trucks should be washed / cleaned before leaving to go to the event.
- Competitors are responsible for complying with ROC instructions on cleaning up manure from yards.
- Competitors are required to advise the event organisers immediately if a horse is sick, to stop all non- essential contact with the sick horse and not allow anyone to have close contact with the sick horse.
- Everyone handling horses should wash or sanitise hands between contacting different horses.