Competitor letter

Greetings!

There is so much information, I decided to write a letter.....Sorry! I held my first show on July 8th and it went extremely well. BUT it was a private farm and one ring without stabling. This is a whole new can of worms.

Basically we are being watched by the state and by USEF with the COVID-19 protocols. What we do or not do can influence if we can do more shows this season at HITS, which includes the Regional Championships (plus I can be fined \$1000 for each infraction). So keep that in mind!

I have sent the participants requirements before but have included them again below. I cannot stress enough that ONLY the rider, trainer if different from the rider and signed entry and waiver form, Coach if signed the entry and waiver form plus a groom if signed waiver form are allowed on the grounds. Sadly we will have to escort anyone else off the grounds...and I REALLY do not want to have to do that!!!

Social Distancing is VERY important. Kari has spaced you all out in the stabling. Face Masks are to be worn by all unless mounted. People allowed into the barn are the rider, trainer if different from the rider and the groom. We are not doing armbands etc as we are hoping you will obey and self police.

At warm-up please stay apart from other coaches. At the show ring only the coach or trainer should be present. Groom can be the reader. No spectators at all.

Show office is basically virtual. Very little or no traffic to the show office. Steve is emailing you to tell you what we need to complete your entry. Please get this to us by Sunday at 8pm. We will not accept any paper of any kind at the show. Everything must be electronic and entries need to be complete. If you need to contact me at the show office, please text me at 203-671-0904 or email debra@centerlineevents.com. Please don't call as I will be busy and it is hard to answer.

Times will be updated on HorseShowOffice.com. Please note 'single file' is Tuesday schedule and Wednesday is the Wednesday schedule. HSO did not have Tues Ride schedule...LOL!!!

Show packets with numbers will be placed outside the office which is the normal office by the GP ring Centerline has always used. If your packet is not there, please step into the office...social distancing!!!

Scores will be posted on results.horseshowoffice.com. Tests will all be emailed after the class is completed and placed. Ribbons 2nd to 6^{th} place will be the honor system on table outside the office but 1^{st} place can come into the office to get ribbon and trophy...Social Distancing!!!

We have entered into a whole new world. I know you will all make it work.

BTW...If you see Tom Struzzeri during the show, please thank him for stepping up to do the regional championships. It was a huge deal and I hope you will come and support the show.

Debra

Mandatory Requirements for Participants

General

All USEF-licensed competitions must be held and comply with all applicable federal, state and local restrictions, requirements and orders as well as WHO recommendations and CDC guidelines as they relate to mass gatherings and sporting events. Participants are required to comply with these and additional Competition Organizer requirements at all times while present on the competition grounds. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the grounds.

These requirements are in effect immediately and until further notice, however, they are subject to revisions as the COVID-19 virus environment changes.

Waiver/Release & Indemnity Agreement

Provide emergency contact information and execute an updated *Waiver and Release of Liability*Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement required by USEF, as a condition of participation. Please ensure use of the updated form provided by competition organizer.

<u>Access</u>

Participants are required to self-monitor their temperatures once daily prior to entering the competition grounds. Anyone with a temperature below 99.5F (37.5C) may enter the facility.

Anyone who exhibits <u>COVID-19 symptoms</u> or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks, cannot enter the competition grounds.

Participants are required to wear a facemask or face covering when not mounted on a horse. A participant may choose to wear a facemask or face covering when mounted on a horse and cannot be disqualified or penalized for doing so while competing.

Social Distancing/Participation Protocols

Comply with social distancing requirements at all times while on the competition grounds

Wash hands often and adhere to other sanitization practices throughout the days.