

COVID-19 Dressage Event Procedures - Ettrick Forest Riders Association

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This document outlines how dressage competitions will be run at Dryden (the "venue"), by EFRA during the Covid-19 epidemic.

Everyone involved with the events, including officials, volunteers and competitors should familiarise themselves with these procedures. Any competitors who do not comply with event protocols will be disqualified and unable to compete at remaining league fixtures.

Right to Enter the Venue:

Anyone who has shown, or been in contact with someone showing any symptoms of Covid-19 may not enter the venue.

Anyone who, in the opinion of the organising committee, is showing symptoms of Covid-19 will be required to leave the Venue immediately.

Social distancing must be practiced at all times whilst at the Venue. Anyone who, in the opinion of the organising committee, is found to be repeatedly in breach of the social distancing guidelines will be required to leave the Venue immediately.

Riders may be accompanied by one other person for each horse that they are attending the event with. Only the following categories of people, other than officials and volunteers/stewards may enter the Venue during the event.

- Rider
- Groom

Anyone who does not fit into one of the categories above will not be permitted entry to the Venue.

EFRA strongly recommends the use of face coverings at all times, with the exception of when mounted.

Arrival at the Venue:

Competitors must not arrive earlier than 45 minutes before the published start time of their first competition.

On arrival at the Venue, all attendees must follow all the directions given by the stewards.

Please park allowing 3m between vehicles and with due regard to social distancing guidelines. Where possible, horses should be tacked up/untacked within or at their vehicle. No tying up available

Warm Up Ring:

On arrival at the Warm Up Ring entrance, do not enter until you are directed to do so by the steward.

The only personnel allowed to enter the Warm Up Ring are the riders on a horse, the officials and the event steward/volunteers. People not specifically authorised to enter the Warm Up Ring will not be permitted entry to the Warm Up Ring.

Riders are not allowed to have their own representative in the Warm Up Ring. Anyone found to be entering the Warm Up Ring who has not been specifically authorised to do so will be asked to leave the Venue.

The number of people in the Warm Up Ring at one time must not exceed 5. This number includes riders and officials.

The Competition:

When the Warm Up Ring steward calls a rider, they must enter the competition arena and complete their round. Any rider failing to come forward when called will not be allowed to compete and must immediately leave the Warm Up Ring.

You will be given a warm up time and a dressage test time. Do not attempt to enter the warm up arena before your allocated time.

A Rider competing in two classes on same horse will ride their test and be given a short breather (1 test time) inbetween to stand outside the outdoor school, during which another competitor will complete their test.

If you require a commander please provide your own.

Once you have completed your test(s) you must immediately return to your vehicle. There should be no 'hanging around'.

Results will be posted online and on Facebook. Rosettes and prizes will be posted out.

Hand Sanitising and PPE:

Please bring your own hand sanitisers and PPE with you.

Numbers:

If you are able to print out your own number then please do so. Alternatively, you can hand write one.

Thank you for taking the time to become familiar with our new competition guidelines. We look forward to seeing you as we return to running EFRA competitions and hope you have a safe and enjoyable day.