



# NAF Five Star Winter Dressage CHAMPIONSHIPS

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## COVID-19 Policy

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### Subject to amendment

The health and safety of all visitors to the Winter Dressage Championships must remain paramount at all times and the Government guidelines should be adhered to by all participants, whether you are a competitor, organiser, judge, steward, groom, trainer, owner, trade exhibitor or any other support personnel.

### Prior to departure to the Championships.

1. Do not attend the venue if you, or any of your associated visitors, or anyone that that you have been in contact with, have shown any Covid-19 symptoms 7 days prior to arrival to the Winter Dressage Championships, no matter how slight.
2. Prior to travelling to the Winter Dressage Championships, all visitors must take their temperature and must not travel to the venue if their temperature is 37.8 C or above.
3. Do not travel to the Championships if you answer yes to any of the following questions:
  - a. Do you have a new continuous cough?
  - b. Do you have a temperature of 37.8 C or above?
  - c. Have you experienced a loss of, or new change in sense of smell or taste?
  - d. Have you tested positive to Covid-19?
  - e. Are you self-isolating due to contact with someone with Covid-19 symptoms and / or someone with confirmed Covid-19?
  - f. Are you self-isolating due to visiting a country for which a self-isolating period is required upon your return?
  - g. Have you been asked to self-isolate by Track & Trace?
  - h. Are you living in an area with local lockdown restrictions preventing you travelling?
4. Ensure that you have provided your Track & Trace details. As a competitor you will have done this when you entered online. Officials, judges, writers, sponsors and stand holders will have their name or the name of the principal person automatically added to the Track & Trace list.
5. Only travel to the Show if you are able to return home at any time during your trip due to the onset of any symptoms for you or anyone within your group.
6. Ensure you have £20 in cash for each individual stable you are hiring for the clean stable deposit system. See Stable Area information.

## Social Distancing.

1. Social distancing of two metres should be maintained where possible; if this is not possible, individuals are advised to remain at least one metre apart and where possible use other mitigating measures such as face coverings or avoiding face to face contact.

## Competitor PPE.

1. All Competitors and associated visitors should provide adequate supplies of their own face coverings, gloves and hand sanitizer sufficient for the duration of their stay at Hartpury.

## Handwashing.

1. Regular handwashing, cleaning and hygiene procedures are essential. It is important to wash or sanitize your hands for at least 20 seconds to prevent the spread of the virus.

## Face Coverings.

1. All riders and people on the show ground should have face coverings immediately available in case of need. Face covering are strongly recommended when in close proximity to others and for any unmounted person in the stable area or any indoor space. Please be considerate to others at all times.

## Passing Others.

1. Always endeavour to **keep to the left** when walking in enclosed spaces and passing others.

## Number of people permitted on site with each Rider.

1. Riders can be accompanied by friends and family when competing, up to a maximum of six people or two households (including the rider, groom and / or trainer), in line with government guidance. Anyone attending should remain within their bubble and not mix with other households while on site, particularly when using indoor areas.
2. This Covid-19 Policy be updated to reflect any amendments and published on [www.bdchampionships.com](http://www.bdchampionships.com).

## On Arrival.

1. All visitors will arrive to the Parking Control Point when they enter the venue.
2. Vehicle passes will not be sent out for horseboxes or cars with horse trailers, however, cars with horse trailers will be issued with passes once on site.

## Horsebox Parking Areas.

1. Officials will be available to park horseboxes and competitors must comply with all instructions.
2. Horses may not be tied to the side of horseboxes or horse trailers for more than the minimum time to remove / put on boots and tack up / untack. If day competitors need to wait before departure, horses must be reloaded on their transport.
3. Other than cars with horse trailers, **no cars are permitted in the designated horsebox parking areas** and are restricted to the appropriate car park.

4. Competitors staying overnight in their horseboxes or camping must continue to adhere to the current guidelines on social distancing at all times.
5. Barbecues are not permitted on site.
6. Refer to General Rules and Regulations for further information on parking, hook ups and generators etc.

## Arrival at Stable Area.

1. On arrival, go to the Stable Managers Office with your horse passport. The vaccination for your horse will be inspected, the stable deposit of £20 per stable taken and then your stable will be allocated. Please allow time for this process to be completed.

## Stable Deposit System.

1. All stables will be empty of bedding on arrival and must be left empty of bedding on departure. On arrival at the Stable Managers Office, Competitors will pay a £20 cash deposit per stable, which will be placed into an envelope and returned once the stable has been emptied at the end of the hire period.

## Stable Area.

1. Please adhere to stable check in and departure times so that stables may be fully disinfected between horses. Stable hire is from 4.00pm on day of arrival – 3.00pm on the day of departure (access is from 1.00pm on Sunday 27 June).
2. Always keep the number of people in the stable area to a minimum and be considerate to other competitors.
3. It is recommended that face masks are worn while unmounted in the stable area.
4. Competitors should ensure that high standards of hygiene are maintained in the stabling area at all times, washing hands or using hand sanitiser before and after stable duties.
5. Competitors must bring their own stable equipment, which should be stored in their own horseboxes or trailers when not in use, **equipment must not be left outside the stable.**
6. All areas outside each stable must be kept clear, any tack or competition equipment must **not be left outside the stable.**
7. All stables will be disinfected prior to arrival of each horse using the stable. However, we recommend bringing your own Covid-19 compliant disinfectant spray and single use cloths to keep stable doors and all touch points clean and safe throughout the stay. Use the bins provided for disposal.
8. Ensure that you have sufficient quantities of sanitizer or single use cloths to regularly disinfect your stable doors and personal equipment including tack, grooming equipment, water and feed buckets, and stable cleaning tools. Avoid sharing equipment between different households.

9. Water taps are available in the stable area, but Competitors should sanitize before and after use. A bucket will be provided at the black water tanks from which to fill your bucket. Do not fill your bucket direct from the black water tank.
10. All safeguarding, horse welfare and anti-doping policies will be followed and monitored as normal.
11. Refer to General Rules and Regulations for further information on stabling etc.

## Secretary's Office.

1. The location is marked on the Show Ground Plan.
2. Please keep visits to the Secretary Office to a minimum and observe social distancing at all times if it is necessary to queue to see the Secretary.
3. Declaration is not required.
4. Score sheets and / or prizes may be collected from the Show Secretary no earlier than half an hour after the end of the class and prior to departure from the Show Ground. Prizes will not be sent after the Show.
5. If you would like your Score Sheet posted, a £3.00 postage and administration fee will be charged which must be paid at the Secretary's Office prior to leaving the Show Ground. Sheets will be posted following the conclusion of the Show.

## Music CDs.

1. Music CDs must be given to the Show Secretary at least half an hour before the start of the class. The music must be clearly marked with the horse's and rider's names on the box containing the disc and also on the disc itself. A **second copy should also be provided**.
2. The CD and case should be wiped with a disposable disinfectant cloth prior to taking to the Secretary Office.
3. The CD may be collected from the Show Secretary half an hour after the conclusion of the competition and will have been disinfected prior to return.

## Arena Walk Exercise.

1. To reduce congestion the Arena Walk Exercise in the indoor **NAF Five Star Arena** will be controlled and competitors will be given access via timeslots for each championship final. Times will be published on [www.bdchampionships.com](http://www.bdchampionships.com). Any Competitor with two horses in one class should contact the Show Secretary in advance to arrange a time slot for the second horse.
2. Walk exercise will be available in the outdoor **Petplan Equine Arena**. Competitors may only participate in arena walk exercise on the day that the horse is competing. Only horses competing on Monday may use the Sunday walk exercise times for arena familiarisation.
3. All horses participating in any walk exercise must have a mounted rider, no horses may be led, whether with or without a mounted rider.

## **Warm Up Arenas.**

1. Designated warm up arenas will be provided and Competitors numbers in each warm up arena will be strictly limited.
2. All warm up arenas will be Stewarded.
3. Horses and pedestrians on the horse walk must keep to the left-hand side of the horse walk when passing to ensure social distancing.
4. Warm up arenas will be available for exercise between 2.30pm – 7.00pm on Sunday 27 June and competitors must book a 30-minute time slot in advance with the Steward on duty at the warm up arena. Maximum numbers for each Warm Up Arena will be controlled and may not be exceeded.
5. Warm up arenas will be available from 6.40am on each day of competition till 15 minutes after the completion of competition each day.
6. Only competitors within 50 minutes of competing will be allowed to use the relevant warm up arenas. Competitors should not arrive at the warm up arena before they have access to warm up.

### **NAF Five Star Championship Arena.**

1. Warm up will commence in the NAF Arena Warm Up. There will be a maximum of 6 horses warming up and 1 horse cooling down.
2. The steward will ask competitors to move to the Holding Arena approximately two horses before their test time.
3. The competitor tack check will occur directly following the conclusion of their test.

### **Petplan Equine Arena 1 & 2**

1. Warm up will be in the Outdoor Warm Up Arena. There will be a maximum of 14 horses warming up.
2. The competitor tack check will occur directly following the conclusion of their test.
3. If the maximum numbers of horses in the Outdoor Warm Up Arena permit a competitor may use the Outdoor Warm Up Arena for cooling down.

## **General Exercise Arena.**

1. A General Exercise Arena will be available for use by Competitors. The number of Competitors in the General Exercise Arena at any one time will be limited and Competitors must book a 30-minute time slot in advance with the on-site Steward on duty in the General Exercise Arena.
2. The General Exercise arena will be open from 2.30pm – 7.00pm on Sunday 27 June.
3. The General Exercise arena will be open from 8.00am – 10.00am & 4.00pm – 7.00pm on 28 June – 2 July.

## **Start Lists and Results.**

1. There will be no public start lists / programme, please refer to the online times listing.
2. There will be no scoreboard on site. Please refer to the online scoring system.
3. Scores will be announced by the commentator throughout the classes, with a summary of the top places shortly after the end of each class.

## **Unmounted Presentations.**

1. Competitors should monitor the online results to determine their final placing.
2. The top three competitors from each competition are required to attend the official unmounted presentation.
6. Location of the Presentation Area is marked on the Show Ground Plan.
3. Presentation times are subject to amendment and competitors should present themselves to the Presentation Area at least 10 minutes prior to the scheduled presentation time.

## **Judges & Writers.**

1. Judges boxes will be cleaned before any new judges enter and hand sanitizer will be provided.
2. Judges and writers should ensure good ventilation where possible within the judges box.
3. A screen may be installed within the judges box to separate the judge and the writer.
4. Writers should provide their own writing equipment.
5. Judges and writers are advised to wear face coverings when 2m social distancing cannot be maintained.

## **Trade Stands.**

1. Trade exhibitors must ensure that their trade space conforms to all Covid-19 requirements as laid out by the Government at the time of the Show.
2. Trade exhibitors should ensure adequate social distancing measures within their trade space and if necessary, to limit numbers in the trade space at any given time.
3. Trade exhibitors should ensure good ventilation of their trade space.
4. Trade exhibitors should provide hand sanitizer stations on entry and exit points to their trade spaces.
5. Visitors to trade stands must make all reasonable efforts to ensure social distancing is maintained and masks are worn when appropriate or if required.
6. Trade exhibitors must maintain Government restrictions on numbers within their trade space

## Catering.

1. Hartpury Arena Restaurant will be open from 4.00pm – 9.00pm on Sunday 27 June and then open from 7.00am till 9.00pm from 28 June – 2 July.
2. Hartpury Snack Bar and will be open from 7.00am from 28 June – 2 July.
3. Coffee Shop will be open from 8.00am from 28 June – 2 July.
4. Please observe social distancing at all times when queuing to purchase drinks and food.
5. If there is nowhere suitable to sit, please return to your horsebox or car.
6. There will be no public bar at the Show.
7. There is no access to catering on the main campus at Hartpury University.

## Toilets.

1. Limited public toilets will be available, and the location is marked on the Show Ground Plan.
2. The toilets will be cleaned on a regular basis, however, please be courteous to other visitors by keeping the toilets tidy.
3. Please ensure that you sanitise your hands before and after using the toilets.

## Showers.

1. No public showers are available on the Show Ground.

## Developing Covid-19 Symptoms.

1. Should you or any of your group develop Covid-19 symptoms whilst at the Show, please adhere to the following guidelines:
  - a. Isolate within your onsite accommodation, then leave the Show Ground and return home as soon as it is safe to leave.
  - b. Ask your accompanying person/s to fetch your horse(s) from the stables to be loaded, face coverings must be worn and social distancing must be maintained at all times. If you are attending the Show on your own, please contact the Stable Manager via **07779 788 014** for assistance with your horse.
  - c. Once you have left the Show Ground, inform the Secretary's Office via telephone so that the necessary enhanced disinfecting of your stable/s can be carried out.
  - d. Once you are home, you must isolate for 10 days and obtain a free Covid-19 test from NHS. Contact 119 if you have no internet access.

## After Departing the Show.

1. If you develop Covid-19 symptoms within 10 days of having been at the championships please contact the Show Secretary by emailing **entries@showdirect.co.uk** as well as following all Government procedures.