

To all riding lesson students:

Equine Canada and the Manitoba Horse Council have recommended that all non-essential activities, including riding lessons, be ceased. **Diversity Horsemanship will be cancelling all lessons until further notice.** We will re-assess the situation when EC and MHC have updates for us. For all lessons that have been paid for that have been cancelled due to covid-19, Diversity Horsemanship will offer you several options for make-up lessons once we have the green light to resume lessons. For anyone who has paid for the Horse Handling Safety and Ground Skills Course- we will re-evaluate at the beginning of April if this is going to be held, postponed, or cancelled. If it needs to be cancelled or rescheduled (and we can't find a date that works for you) we will send refunds for the course.

To read the bulletins go to:

<https://horse-canada.com/horse-news/statement-equestrian-facility-operations-covid-19/?fbclid=IwAR0RbViaQaXW6PYwh-9VifFM80qVEMl2zxyk5-eTamWQVtpyGYNqRbiufgw>

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To all boarders:

At this time, boarders who own horses at Diversity are still able to come to see their horse to perform essential care duties, including exercising your horse and picking their feet, checking their health, and giving medications. We ask that you do not bring anyone else to the barn who does not need to be there, and follow all protocol that is outlined in my previous emails and in the documents above, including:

-FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED in the building.

-washing hands upon entering the barn, and upon leaving. Washing hands before and after touching commonly used surfaces (e.g. brooms, light switches)

- wear gloves whenever possible

- remaining a minimum of 6 feet away from other people at all times

-Do not come to the barn if you have a cough or fever or shortness of breath, or have travelled in the last 14 days, or have been around people who are sick or who have travelled.

- Avoid touching your face
- If you must cough or sneeze, do so into your elbow/sleeve, not your hand
- avoid coming to the barn for non-essential reasons

Consider the risk of equestrian activities and do what you can to reduce safety risks as much as possible. Avoiding accidents is always important, but even more prudent now as you do not want to have to go to a doctor or hospital at this time more than ever, especially if the medical system becomes overtaxed with covid patients. Something we all need to consider, as well as all of our actions to flatten the curve.

Horse owners- If you aren't able to come to the barn, or would like to practice self isolation and increased social distancing, let us know. Steven and I are able to perform extra care duties with this unprecedented amount of extra time (and we will need the extra income), so do not hesitate to ask for these extra services.

All boarders please read the info in the links above and stay tuned to EC and MHC updates, as we will be following their recommendations.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Chelsea