



## Wellington Riding Equine Herpes Virus (EHV-1) Policy

### Horses at risk of EHV-1

In response to the recent outbreak of EHV-1 across mainland Europe, the following measures have been put in place for all horses attending Wellington Riding, effective immediately. These measures are in line with British Showjumping <sup>[1]</sup> and the British Equestrian Federation <sup>[2]</sup>.

**Exclusions:** Horses which fall into the below categories are henceforth excluded from ALL events (\*) at Wellington Riding:

- All horses, regardless of whether vaccinated against EHV-1 or not, returning from or who have travelled through France, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Italy, Austria, Poland, Netherlands, Germany and Slovakia, plus any horse stabled at the same premises as those who have competed in Europe but who have not travelled to/through these countries.

\*To include: arena hire, clinics and lessons (both internally and externally organised), unaffiliated training shows, affiliated shows, or any other events held at Wellington Riding

These exclusions will be lifted ONLY when the below criteria have been met:

1. All horses returning from or who have travelled through the countries mentioned above, plus any horse stabled at the same premises as those who have competed in Europe but who have not travelled to/through these countries, have been isolated for at least 28 days from the day of arrival of the last horse/s back in the UK (day 0).
2. Laboratory analysis has confirmed that all horses on the premises are free from disease (please see the protocols set out by British Showjumping <sup>[1]</sup>) and have obtained two negative tests no less than 14 days apart.

### Show attendance

For all horses which do not meet the exclusion criteria or for those returning to sport after the lifting of the exclusions, please see below key guidance which MUST be followed when attending ANY events at Wellington Riding:

1. All horses MUST be up-to-date with vaccinations. Wellington Riding require 12-month annual vaccinations, however events organised by external bodies (British Showjumping, British Dressage) may have different requirements. Please visit their websites for further guidance on their vaccination policies.
2. In line with the current Covid protocols, lorries/trailer must park no less than 5m apart (if no tie up) or 10m apart (if tying up).
3. Horses from different premises MUST be kept apart where possible. In areas where contact is imminent e.g: horse walk, warm-up, competition arenas, riders must remain vigilant and keep a safe distance from each other.
4. No equipment to be shared between horses from different premises, to include tack, boots, yard utensils etc...



5. All attendees (officials/riders/owners/grooms) must follow Wellington Riding's existing biosecurity protocols and existing Covid protocols: [Covid-Guidelines-for-Competing-at-Wellington-Riding.pdf \(wellington-riding.co.uk\)](#)

<sup>[1]</sup> [British Showjumping: Management of showjumpers returning to UK from high risk areas of Europe - The Official Website of British Showjumping](#)

<sup>[2]</sup> [BEF Biosecurity Info sheet.pdf \(britishequestrian.org.uk\)](#)