

UC Davis Equestrian Center

Incoming Horses Biosecurity Policy

All incoming horses, including new horses and returning horses who were gone over the summer, are required to meet these biosecurity entry and vaccination requirements before arriving to the Equestrian Center.

Entry Requirements:

Horses must have not been exposed or diagnosed with a zoonotic disease or transmissible virus in the last 30 days. Horses exhibiting clinical signs of a transmissible virus such as (but not limited to), fever of 101.5°F or greater, nasal discharge, or coughing with mucus, will not be allowed to enter the facility without being cleared by a vet (once horse is asymptomatic). If horses display these symptoms upon arrival, horses will be required to be checked by a vet and quarantined at the owner's expense.

Vaccination Requirements:

Boarders, with new horses or returning horses who were gone over the summer, are required to email their vaccination records to the Main Office (equestriancenter@campusrec.ucdavis.edu) prior to their horse's arrival. Records must show that the vaccine was administered within 6-12 months of the expected arrival date.

We require proof of records for the following:

- Tetanus (within 12 months)
- Flu/rhino (EHV1 and EHV4) (within 6 months)
- WNV West Nile Vaccine (within 12 months)
- EEE/WEE (Eastern and Western) encephalomyelitis (within 12 months)
- Rabies (within 12 months)
- Negative Coggin's Test (if coming from out of state) (within 12 months)

Biosecurity at Shows and Off-Site Travel:

CDFA strongly recommends that horse owners practice proper biosecurity when visiting other horse facilities or events:

- Limit horse-to-horse contact
- Limit horse-to-human-to-horse contact
- Avoid use of communal water sources
- Avoid sharing of equipment unless thoroughly cleaned and disinfected between uses
- Monitor your horse for clinical signs of disease and report any temperature over 102°F to a veterinarian

If you believe your horse was exposed to a possible contagious disease while at a show or off-site, please contact the Equestrian Center Main Office or a Supervisor right away. The horse will need to be quarantined per vet recommendation to maintain the health and safety of the horses at the EQC.