

Burnaby Horsemen's Association Policy: **General Barn Safety**

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Applicability

This policy applies to all members, guests, and visitors and is intended to keep people and animals at Burnaby Horsemen's Association (BHA) safe and maintain the facility.

Policy

1. General Barn Safety:
 - a. BHA members must conduct themselves in a responsible manner and are responsible for the conduct of their guests, visitors, and animals.
 - b. Guardians of minors are required to see that their children comply with all policies.
 - c. Gate and loft keys issued to the BHA Member must not be given to any non-members without approval of B.H.A. and must be returned to the Director of Stalls.
 - d. Gates to the perimeter area of each barn must be kept closed at all times and locked when no person is in or about the barn.
 - e. Dogs entering the barn are the responsibility of their owner. All dogs must be in hand on a leash or shall be confined while on B.H.A. property. On the basis of any justified complaint, the Barn Committee may prohibit any dog from entering the barn and perimeter area. Owners are required to clean up after their dogs.
 - f. All horses, regardless of age, must be kept under restraint by halter and lead rope or bridle when leaving their Stall, except while in the holding pen or while supervised in the round pen or in turnout rings during designated periods.
 - g. Horses are not to be left tied and/or unattended in the aisle at any time.
 - h. Riding is prohibited in the barn.
 - i. Telephone calls to and from the barns are to be kept to a minimum duration.
 - j. The washrooms, stairs, alcoves and garbage areas must be kept clean by the person(s) assigned to barn duty. Loft garbage is to be taken home regularly by the Occupant.
 - k. A halter and lead shank will be made available by the BHA for emergency use only, and is to be kept in a designated location.
 - l. Grooming of horses is prohibited in the aisles, except for clipping and applying hoof polish. Equipment is not to be left unattended at any time.
 - m. Bathing of horses in the aisle is prohibited.
 - n. Horses shall not be left loose in the perimeter area of the barns except in the holding paddocks provided.
 - o. Horses shall not be left unattended in their stalls or paddocks with their halters or other tack on.
2. General Facility Safety
 - a. Speed limit on the roads is 10 km. Horses have the right of way on barn roads. Cars must come to a dead stop when horses are traveling on the same roadway.
 - b. Horses must only be ridden or led at a walk on the trails adjacent to the rings and barns.
 - c. Horse trailers may be parked at BHA premises for up to 48 hours per week (Monday to Sunday).
3. Stall and Loft Safety
 - a. All Occupants are responsible for posting on their Stall door the telephone number of their veterinarian, farrier and the person to contact in the event of an emergency.
 - b. Stall doors to the aisle must be kept closed when horses are unattended.

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- c. The Barn Committee reserves the right to inspect all Stalls, Lofts, and animals and make recommendations to the Board of Directors.
 - d. Aisles, upstairs and downstairs, must be kept clear and swept clean at all times. Occupants are responsible for the area in front of their Stall and loft.
4. Fire Safety
- a. All barn Occupants have the responsibility to familiarize themselves with the fire equipment. Equipment is to be inspected quarterly by the Barn Committee.
 - b. All equipment must be kept stored in a safe place.
 - c. Barn Occupants are responsible for regular removal of fire hazards (e.g., loose hay, cobwebs, baling twine, paint) in their stalls and lofts.
 - d. Feed door timers can be used in accordance with guidelines in the Stall Maintenance Policy. They should be checked regularly and clear of hay and dust.
 - e. Farriers must not use a torch or furnace in the barns or on hogfuel areas.

Related Procedure

Supporting Documents

- 1) Related BHA Policy
 - a) Stall Maintenance Policy
- 2) References
 - a) Member Code of Conduct

Review Schedule

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