

Burnaby Horsemen's Association Policy: Ring Use Policy

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Applicability

This section applies to all members and guests who ride or handle horses on BHA facility.

Policy

- a) As defined in our Constitution, BHA was created to support a variety of diverse horse-related activities. There often are riders/handlers using the ring in various ways, and not all purposes can be achieved concurrently. Therefore, times may be designated for different purposes in the ring, to be determined by the board on a seasonal basis, depending on the needs and requests of club members. Also, given the nature of the club, riders and handlers can expect to work around riders/handlers doing other activities in the ring and their equipment.
 - i) Riders/handlers are welcome to set up equipment (e.g., poles, cavaletti, jumps, barrels, tarps, etc.) at any time if they are alone, but if other riders/handlers are present they should discuss and seek consensus prior to set-up/use.
- b) In the winter months (November – April), the indoor is the preferred space for riding and more flexibility is required by members to accommodate diverse needs.
- c) Activities permitted/not-permitted in BHA arenas:
 - i) Indoor Arena: all riding/handling activities allowed. No turnout, free lunging, liberty work or lunging (with the exception of mounted lunge lessons for beginner riders).
 - ii) Sand Ring: all riding/handling activities allowed; turnout, free lunging, and liberty work only during designated and posted times.
 - iii) Ring 1: all riding/handling activities allowed; no turnout, free lunging, or liberty work.
 - iv) Ring 2: all riding/handling activities allowed; turnout, free lunging and liberty work allowed at all times.
 - v) Round pen: all riding/handling activities allowed; free lunging and liberty work allowed at all times.
- d) In arenas where multiple activities are allowed the priority is as follows:
 - i) Scheduled lessons or approved ring bookings/activities (e.g., horse play)
 - ii) Individual riders and handlers (including in-hand) of any discipline
 - iii) Lunging
 - iv) Turnout and Liberty work

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Supporting Documents

- 1) Related BHA Policy
 - a) Clinic and Lesson Policy
- 2) Related BHA Constitution & Bylaws
 - a) Constitution: Society's Purposes
- 3) References
 - a) Posted signs on arenas.

Review Schedule

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Policy Owner:	Vice-President
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Version History

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