



SenTower Park

Manual competitions 2021

Bio securityplan EVH-1



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1 *Introduction*

With this document we are communicating, all measures taken against EVH-1 in order to create a safe environment during our events. This is to prevent the chance of an EHV-1 outbreak during our competition. This document serves as a guide for both organizer and participants and contains some temporary measures that are valid until May 30, 2021. All our measures are in line with the protocol of the FEI.

In this document all our current measures are listed according to the different phases of a competition. Firstly, we give more information about the preparation prior to the competition for both the organizer and the participants. Furthermore, the protocols during the competition will be clarified. We also explain the special arrival and departure procedures and finally we have given an overview of documents that you should download / view before the start of the competition.

Please note! This document only lists the recent EHV-1 measures. You also need to be aware that the Covid-19 measures also do apply!

2 Preparations of the venue before the event

As organization, we create conditions where individuals can follow these rules!

2.1 Biosecurity plan

For events with more than 400 horses stabled at night, biosecurity measures must be signed off one week prior to the horses' arrival. A biosecurity checklist will be provided based on FEI regulations and temporary provisions. This document has therefore been read and approved by an independent veterinarian.

2.2 Stabling

- All stables must be well ventilated.
- The aisles must have a one-way systems. These will be indicated by directional signs every 5 stables (see in the attachments > posters competitions > 1) directional signs).
- It is prohibited to prepare/saddle horses in the aisles. This is only allowed within the stable.
- The stable doors must remain closed, a stable drape's are not allowed.
- Horses of the same transport must be stabled together. No requests will be accepted!
- If 1 horse tests positive for the EHV-1 virus, all horses, which are stabled in the same airspace, must go into quarantine and are temporarily not allowed to participate in the competition (At the rider's risk). The competition will continue as usual.

Specific Measures for indoor stables:

- No more than 100 horses stabled at night in one room (with common air):
The dividing walls must be at least 2.4m high. (ours are 2,5m high)
- No more than 200 horses stabled overnight in one area (with common air):
The stalls must be grouped in units of no more than 16 stables. Minimum distance of six meters in all directions between each unit of 16 boxes.
- Participants will be assigned their stables by the stable manager upon arrival at the competition site. He has a map showing which horses are stabled where. This map is updated regularly and can be viewed at any time.
- The stable plan is also given to the responsible veterinarian and if any changes happen, he/she is informed immediately.
- The stables are cleaned and disinfected according to article 1017 of the FEI Veterinary Regulations. A person responsible for this has been appointed. All boxes must be sealed after cleaning and disinfection. Every Monday a specialized company will clean and disinfect our stables with Halamid.
- Mandatory hand washing/hand disinfection at entrance/exit of stables.
- Sufficient disinfection spray is provided at key points in the halls (entry points, stables).

2.3 Isolation stables

- The isolation/quarantine boxes must not be located in the same area as the non-isolated horses. The room must be at least 50 feet away from all horse flow, both indoors and outdoors.
- The veterinary services manager shall appoint a veterinarian responsible for the isolation boxes and advise the licensed veterinarian.
- The treating vet responsible for the isolation boxes is Doctor Hanna Remans (FEI no 10102737)
- Disposable covers for boots, disposable overalls or washable overalls, hot water, liquid soap, paper towels, hand disinfectants, etc. shall be provided at the entrance and exit of the isolation stables. This protective equipment must be worn in each isolation stable and must be changed between the different groups of horses (which were on the same transport). Before leaving the isolation stable this equipment must be removed. On this equipment box, a clear poster is posted. (see in attachments > competition site > 4) designation of material of the isolation stables)
- At the entrances and exits of the isolation stables there are disinfection mats on which humans and animals must walk on/ over before entering the isolation stable. These mats are also located in a number of strategic places so that riders who want to can use them.
- Anyone who works in the isolation stables (veterinarians, stable hands, etc.) may not enter any other stables without being fully cleaned and disinfected.
- No unauthorized personnel and no other animals may enter the isolation barn.
- At least 2 isolation boxes must be provided for every 100 horses.
- There must be an overflow isolation facility to ensure that there is sufficient capacity if horses are transported together after the examination must be isolated at the same time on arrival. At our competition site, there are four separate units of four isolation boxes.

2.4 Veterinary treatment and EADCM testing

- The EADCM test takes place in the stable of each horse. The veterinarian performing the tests must wear protective clothing (coveralls, etc. that he/she provides) and it must be changed between the different horses.
- The veterinarian's treatment must take place in the horse's stable itself, but only under the supervision of the authorized veterinarian or a veterinarian designated as an FEI official.
- Use can be made of our treatment box on site. This box will be disinfected between each treatment with a disinfection device filled with Halamid. This cleaning operation will be recorded with the date and time of this cleaning, the name and signature of the person who disinfected the stable. (see in appendices > posters competition site > 2) registration cleaning treating box + washing place)

2.5 Hygiene measures

- Make sure there are no shared water buckets or that the water hose (or similar) does not come in direct contact with the buckets. (Grooms may bring their own water hoses if traveling with multiple horses, but they may not be shared with others).
- There are several facilities for hand washing/disinfection and these are clearly indicated.
- It is mandatory to wash/disinfect your hands at the entrance and the exit of the stables.
- Disinfection points for disinfecting hands, footwear, equipment, etc. will be located at various strategic locations on the competition site. Decontamination mats will be provided at various strategic locations.
- The washing areas are disinfected several times a day with Halamid. These cleanings are also registered on a poster with the date, time, name and signature of the person who cleaned

the washing area. (see in appendices > posters competition site > 2) registration cleaning treating box + washing place)

2.6 Ventilation

It is best to ventilate all stables as much as possible to prevent an accumulation of bacteria.

2.7 Person responsible for cleaning and disinfecting the stables

The person responsible for cleaning/ disinfecting the stables, is a point of contact and checks whether everyone respects the measures and if not he can address these people or remove them from the competition site. Access to the site will be denied to anyone who does not comply with these measures.

Person responsible for stable cleaning

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3 Preparation of the riders before the event

- **At an event with more than 400 horses, a mandatory negative PCR test for EHV-1 must be presented per horse. (This measure also applies to horses that have been vaccinated!)**
- **At events with less than 400 horses a negative PCR test is not mandatory. You do need a certificate from your veterinarian which says that the horse is symptom free. For all horses present at the competition site (competing and non-competing) such a certificate is mandatory. This certificate must be obtained in the same week as the competition takes place. The name, the chip number and the FEI number of the horse are mentioned on this certificate.**

At all CSI2*/1*/YH and CSI3* there are always more than 400 horses present!

(list of all the competitions with > 400 horses: <https://inside.fei.org/fei/ehv-1/return-to-competition> > Events requiring negative EHV-1 PCR tests)

- The PCR-test must be taken at least 96 hours before arrival at the event.
- Negative results must be uploaded by the athlete in the FEI HorseApp.
- The horse must be tested by a licensed veterinarian who will check the horse's ID too. This ID number is added as reference for the test. The FEI ID number of the horse, the time and date the test was taken must be included in the lab report.
- Results will only be accepted from an external FEI registered laboratory. PCR results from an in-house veterinary clinic will not be accepted.
- Non-compliant horses are not allowed to access the competition area. Any horses they have been in contact with, including horses transported on the same truck, will also not be allowed on the competition grounds.
- Non-compliance will result in the suspension of participation in the event and these horses will have to leave the competition site. The obtained results will be disqualified. There is possibility of further disciplinary sanctions.
- Non-competing horses must be in possession of an FEI number. The same measures apply to them as to horses that are participating in the competition.
- For competitions that last several weeks, horses that stay with us are obliged to be tested again. This test will take place each Monday, so that the test results are known on Wednesday, before the vet check.

The passports of the horses that stay with us are at the Show Office. The horses with passports that are still there on Sunday evening will automatically be tested on Monday. These tests will be performed by an authorized veterinarian and will be analyzed by laboratory Zoolyx in Aalst. The costs (€ 85 incl. VAT) for this test will be invoiced to the rider.

For any further questions about the measures at Sentower Park, please feel free to contact:

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4 Examination on arrival

Horses arriving are unloaded. Upon arrival at the assigned barn, they are examined (including temperature measurement), according to the flow chart of the separate horse arrival procedure.

Normal procedure:

- 1) Report to the stable manager, you will be given a sheet with your stable numbers and further instructions.
- 2) Place the horses in their stables, hang the temperature monitor sheet on each stable door and have your horses' passports ready.
- 3) Then give the sheet back to the stable manager. This indicates to the vet that he can come by. (see in attachments > posters competition site > 3) registration on arrival)
- 4) The vet will scan the horse's microchip to confirm identity (using Bluetooth microchip reader and FEI HorseApp);
- 5) He/she checks for other signs of infectious diseases and vaccination against equine influenza, as already indicated by the Veterinary Regulations.
- 6) After checking, the stable will receive a sticker (see further under procedure arrival at Sentower)
 - It is mandatory to have your own thermometer!
 - Horses with elevated temperatures (over 38.5C) must follow a specific protocol in accordance with FEI VRs and flow chart.
 - Athletes/caretakers must be able to present a signed FEI self-certification, of the health status of all their horses, at the event venue including mandatory temperature monitoring charts for the 10 days prior to the event.
 - Horses that do not comply will not be allowed access to the competition site. Any horses they have been in contact with, including horses transported on the same truck, will also not be allowed on the competition site.
 - Penalties for non-compliance with self-certification: fine of 360.92 euros per horse.

4.1 Procedure arrival at Sentower Park

In the poster below you will find the procedure to be followed upon arrival at Sentower Park. In this procedure you will also find the applicable Covid-19 measures.

Arrival is only possible during the opening hours of the stables (08:00 - 20:00). After these hours, there is no arrival possible as there is no veterinarian present.

Procedure arrival Sentower Park

Abnormal fatigue Fever (38° or more) Unexplained muscle aches Dry cough Sniffly nose	Sore throat General feeling of sickness Respiratory difficulties Coughing	Do you have any of the symptoms below? Or are you feeling sick? THEN STAY HOME! Loss of smell or taste Diarrhea more than once a day Headache that does not go away after 1 paracetamol Does your horse have any of the symptoms below? LEAVE HIM AT HOME! Fever (> 38,5°C)
		Runny nose Sneezing more than once a day Vomiting



Aankomst bij Parking

Horses

- Place your horses in the allocated barn. (with or without first bedding) Do not unload any tack or equipment
- Put the Temperature monitor sheet (filled in) on each barn door and have your horses' passports and PCR test ready. (NO PCR test = NO Stable entrance)
- Bring this sheet back to the stable manager. The vet now knows he can come to your stable(s).
- 4) The vet scans the horse's microchip to confirm identity (using Bluetooth microchip reader and FEI HorseAPP) 5) The vet checks for other signs of infectious diseases and vaccination against equine influenza, as already indicated by the Veterinary Regulations. 6) The groom checks the temperature of each horse using their own thermometer.

Upon arrival at the stables, the horse's body temperature is measured by the groom under the supervision of an FEI veterinarian + the microchip is read

NO HORSE MAY LEAVE ITS STABLE UNTIL A CORRECT TEMPERATURE READING HAS BEEN RECORDED!

36,5°C - 38,5°C

The horse is accepted! You will receive a green sticker and a temperature registration form. With this form and the FEI passports you go to the Show Office.

38,5°C - 39°C

Your horse is on hold. You will receive an orange sticker and the temp and time will be noted at the barn. You may not unload your vehicle yet!

After 1 hour there will be a 2nd meeting, then the vet can decide to refuse the horse, accept it or test again an hour later.

>39°C

The horse is rejected. Your horse will be transferred to an isolated stable, you will receive a red sticker.

Contact horses from the same truck will also be placed here. The horses can only return to their original stable if infectious diseases can be ruled out.

Participants

No negative PCR test? = NO ENTRANCE

Does contest last > 3 days?



End of 2nd day/beginning of 3rd day => have rapid test on site (arrange appointment through Show Office)

Non-foreign participant

Have following documents checked by Check point:
 - Negative PCR test less than 72 hours old

Foreign participant

Have the following documents checked by Check Point:
 - Statement on honour of essential travel
 - PFL form
 - BTA form
 - Negative PCR test less than 72 hours old

5 Onsite at event venue

5.1 Temperature measurements

- The horses' temperature will be measured twice a day (morning/evening) by the athlete/groom and noted on a clipboard outside each horse's stable using the FEI temperature record card.
- FEI officials check the results twice a day. Penalties also follow for non-compliance with temperature readings.
- On-site checks may also include EADCMP testing outside of the event period..

5.2 PCR test strategy

- At events where the competition takes place over consecutive weeks with horses stabled in the same room, the horses must undergo a PCR test for EHV-1 each Monday in order to remain at the venue, whether or not they are participating in the competition. The passports of horses staying are on file in the Show Office. The horses who's passports are still there Sunday night will automatically be tested on Monday. These tests will be performed by an authorized veterinarian and will be analysed by laboratory Zoolyx in Aalst. The cost of this test (€ 85 incl. VAT) will be billed to the rider.
- If a horse leaves the location and returns, it must meet the requirements as mentioned above under "Preparation by the riders for the event ".
(see in appendices > competition site posters > 5) explanation PCR test)

5.3 Dogs

Dogs are prohibited on the indoor walkways, arenas and in the stables. On the grounds, dogs are allowed to walk but only on a leash. If these rules are not respected, sanctions must be applied in accordance with FEI regulations.

5.4 Personnel

- Only essential personnel have access to the stables, e.g., personnel directly involved in horse management. Horse owners are considered essential personnel. Athletes may not allow anyone other than these essential personnel access to the stables.
- Staff/athletes only have access to the stables where their horses are located.
- All FEI Officials must be instructed on bio-security measures by the authorized veterinarian, with particular attention to vet check, nose-check, bandages, etc.
- For Shows/Events with more than 200 horses, an additional licensed veterinarian is required for each additional 200 horses. At such events, the primary veterinarian must appoint one of the additional licensed veterinarians to supervise biosecurity procedures.

5.5 Positive test during the event

If it appears that a horse has a fever over 39°, the whole stable unit (i.e. all horses in the same air space) will be locked. This means that no horse is allowed to leave the stable (this is at the risk of the riders themselves). After one hour, the temperature of the horse will be taken again.

- If the horse has <38.5° body temperature, the stable unit is released again.
- If the horse has >38.5° body temperature, it must be tested with a PCR test and the stable unit will remain locked until the test result is available. (In the case of a positive test result, the entire stable unit goes into quarantine. In the event of a negative test result, the stable unit may simply be re-opened and the horses may participate in the competition again).

6 *Departure from event*

- The microchip or passport must be scanned with the FEI HorseApp before the horse leaves the competition site so that the horse can be traced if an outbreak occurs.

On Sunday evening all corridors and stables must be empty. The stables will be disinfected and everything that is still in the hallway will be disinfected too!!! It is strongly discouraged to feed the horses with hay/ food that has been in contact with the disinfectant (Halamid). The organizer is therefore not responsible if equipment that is still in the corridor is damaged, feed becomes unusable, horses that become sick after eating food with traces of Halamid ...

Exception: at Tours, only the hallways and empty stalls are disinfected. Horses may therefore remain standing but here too the corridors must be emptied. Things that are left standing in the hallway are disinfected and we as an organization are not responsible for the possible consequences.

7 *Jurisdiction FEI*

- The FEI Secretary General has the authority to cancel competitions during an FEI Event if there is an EHV-1 outbreak.
- The FEI has the authority and ability to impose EHV-related requirements and restrictions on Athletes, Horses, FEI Officials, organizations at all times, even if an FEI Event is over.
- If the FEI declares an outbreak, all sick and in-contact horses must be under the jurisdiction of the FEI until released. Biosecurity measures include submitting GPS coordinates of the horse's location via the FEI HorseApp > Traceability.

8 *Important documents*

- [Critical measures/requirements for safe return to competition in mainland Europe post EHV-1](#) (pdf document - all the measures / requirements mentioned above)
- [FEI Equine Health Self-Certification form](#) (pdf document, fillable)
- [List of Events in mainland Europe from 12 April to 30 May 2021](#) (you will be re-directed)
- Temperature monitoring form:
<https://inside.fei.org/system/files/FEI%20Temperature%20Monitoring%20Chart.pdf>

9 Attachments

FEI Equine Health Self-Certification form



Equine Health Self-Certification Form



This form must be completed for each Horse attending any FEI Event from 12 April 2021 and until further notice. It can be completed by the Person Responsible (**PR**) or their representative (e.g. their groom) and must be shown to the FEI Veterinarian carrying out the Examination on Arrival. Failure to properly complete, sign or submit this form will result in the imposition of a fine of CHF400 per Horse.

Event name:	<input type="text"/>	Event date:	<input type="text"/>
Horse name:	<input type="text"/>	FEI ID No.	<input type="text"/>
PR:	<input type="text"/>	FEI ID No.	<input type="text"/>

I confirm that the abovementioned Horse does not show any of the following clinical signs:

- recent cough of unknown cause
- recent nasal discharge of unknown cause
- enlarged lymph nodes
- fever (rectal temperature of more than 38.5°C)
- recent onset of neurological signs of unknown cause
- diarrhea

I confirm that the abovementioned Horse:

- is not under current investigation for EHV infection.
- has not been in contact with and is not kept on the same premises as a horse known to have or be under investigation for EHV.
- had its rectal temperature taken before travel and the reading was less than 38.5°C.

I further confirm that the Horse's temperature has been monitored for the preceding 10 days and has been duly recorded in the temperature monitoring chart attached here as Annex 1.

Although it is permissible for the PR to delegate the completion and submission of this form to a representative (e.g. their groom), the PR remains responsible for any failure to comply with the requirements, including the completion, signature and submission of the form.

Any falsification of this form or the temperature monitoring chart may lead to the opening of disciplinary proceedings in accordance with the disciplinary process set out in the FEI General Regulations.

Signed	<input type="text"/>
Print name:	<input type="text"/>
Date:	<input type="text"/>

 PR PR's Representative



Temperature Record Sheet (annex 1)




Name of the Horse			
Person Responsible		Contact Number	
Groom		Contact Number	
Veterinarian		Contact Number	

Is my horse healthy?		Remember to also look out for:	
Normal health parameters:	Rectal temperature: 36.5-38.5°C (98-101F)	Discharge from the eyes or nose	How much feed and water the horse has consumed
	Respiratory rate: 8-15 breaths/min	How the horse is standing	Changes in the consistency and number of droppings
	Heart rate: 25-45 beats/min	The horse's general appearance	
If your horse has a fever or shows any signs of illness, it must be examined by a veterinarian			

Date	Temperature (am reading)	Temperature (pm reading)	Notes

3) Registratieformulier bij aankomst



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Name rider: _____

Nr boxes: _____

Instructions:

1. Place your horses in the allocated barn. (with or without First bedding) Do not unload any tack or equipment
2. Put the Temperature monitor sheet (filled in) on each barn door and have your horses' passports and PCR test ready. (NO PCR test = NO Stable entrance)
3. Bring this sheet back to the stable manager. The vet now knows he can come to your stable(s).
- 4) The vet scans the horse's microchip to confirm identity (using Bluetooth microchip reader and FEI HorseApp)
- 5) The vet checks for other signs of infectious diseases and vaccination against equine influenza, as already indicated by the Veterinary Regulations.
- 6) The groom checks the temperature of each horse using their own thermometer.
- 5) After checking, the stable / Temperature monitor sheet will receive a sticker:
 - Green (>36.5° / <38.5°) = Unloading tack and equipment
 - Orange (>38.5° / <39.0°)= On hold + recheck temperature after 1hr
 - Red = (>39.0°) Remove the horse and all in-contact horses to the quarantine stable

4) Aanduiding materiaal van de isolatie stallen



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ISOLATION STABLES MATERIAL

5) Explanation PCR-test



PCR-teststrategie

Bij wedstrijden met meer dan 400 paarden is een negatieve PCR-test verplicht voor elk paard!

Bij wedstrijden die meerdere weken duren worden paarden die in eenzelfde ruimte zijn gestald, elke maandag een PCR-test op EHV-1 afnemen om op de locatie te mogen blijven, ongeacht of zij al dan niet aan de competitie deelnemen. De testresultaten zijn dan woensdag voor de vet check gekend.

De paspoorten van de paarden die blijven, liggen op de Show Office. De paarden van de paspoorten die zondagavond nog in de showoffice aanwezig zijn worden automatisch op maandag getest. Deze testen gebeuren door een bevoegde dierenarts en worden geanalyseerd door laboratorium Zoolyx te Aalst. De kosten voor deze test (€ 85 incl. btw) zullen door gefactureerd worden aan de ruiter zelf.

Indien een paard de locatie verlaat en terugkeert, moet een negatieve PCR-test van maximaal 72 uur oud kunnen voorleggen en uploaden in de FEI HorseApp.

PCR testing strategy

At competitions with more than 400 horses, a negative PCR test is mandatory for each horse!

For competitions that last several weeks, horses stabled in the same area will undergo a PCR test for EHV-1 every Monday in order to remain at the venue, whether or not they are competing. The test results will then be known Wednesday before the vet check.

The passports of horses who stay, remain at the Show Office. Those horses whose passports are still in the Show Office on Sunday night will automatically be tested on Monday. These tests will be done by an authorized veterinarian and will be analysed by laboratory Zoolyx in Aalst. The costs for this test (€ 85 incl. VAT) will be invoiced to the rider.

If a horse leaves the venue and returns, a negative PCR test of maximum 72 hours old must be presented and uploaded in the FEI HorseApp.