

Secretary Fisher

Equine Industry Letter

For COVID-19

1. Therapeutic Riding is essential and should continue while engaging in social distancing and other safety protocols.
2. Owners of horse boarding operations may make allowances for horse owners to visit and exercise their horse(s) as needed. Minimize the number of visitors at a time and ensure that visitors maintain social distancing and clean and sanitize any equipment they use while visiting. Develop and maintain visitor scheduling to limit total number of visitors at a time.
3. Owners of horse boarding operations should be responsible for ensuring employee safety via social distancing and proper equipment sanitation as needed.
4. If horse boarding operators are uncomfortable with allowing visitors, horse owners should be allowed to move their horse to another facility if they wish.
5. Riding is allowed on appropriate areas where riders have received authorization (i.e. not in closed parks or private property where permission has not been granted.) All social distancing protocols should be observed.
6. All provisions in Governor Murphy's Executive Orders must be adhered to including: Taxis and ride-hailing services like Uber and Lyft remain in operation. However, the Governor has directed all residents to stay at home to minimize the spread of COVID-19 with few exceptions. Residents may leave their homes to obtain essential goods or services, seeking medical attention, visiting family or close friends, reporting to work, or engaging in outdoor activities as noted in Executive Order 107 at <https://nj.gov/infobank/eo/056murphy/pdf/EO-107.pdf>. This information is subject to change.