

Guidelines for Use of Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park's Horse Play Area and Obstacles

This is a bookable venue space and available for approved exclusive hire:

When using the Maryborough Showgrounds and Equestrian Park (MSEP) Horse Play Area and Obstacles, please observe the following guidelines in conjunction with the MSEP Venue Terms and Conditions of Hire:

1. The safety and welfare of riders, horses and other attendees is always paramount: -
 - A minimum of three (3) people must be in attendance when obstacles are being used and they must have a mobile phone and know how to give directions if Emergency Services are required.
 - Each rider or handler must consider their own safety, competence, and capability in combination with their horse before attempting any obstacle.
 - Obstacles should never be attempted unless the handler or rider has taken reasonable steps to acquire the necessary skills, and time has been taken to properly accustom the horse to the obstacles.
 - Supervision and instruction should be sought from an experienced person, with the handler or rider before commencing practice with all horses.
 - Appropriate equipment and attire must be used at all times.
2. Parking and Entry to Horse Play Area: -
 - Clinics and Training days – Users must park vehicles and floats inside the Horse Play Area as directed by MSEP venue staff and unload/load and saddle horses in this area.
 - Competitions and Events – Users must park vehicles and floats within the MSEP venue stable areas and unload/ load and saddle horses in this area then ride or walk horses to the course.
3. Users must check the safety and suitability of the obstacles including the path of travel and surrounding areas before attempting any obstacle.
4. Do not use any obstacles that you feel are not safe and report any incidents, damages, or safety issues to MSEP venue staff as soon as possible.
5. Do not modify any obstacle/s without permission from MSEP management.
6. For the safety of all users, riders and horses, dogs are not permitted in Horse Play Area during any competitions or events.
7. During exclusive hire periods such as training or competitive events, persons not involved in the activity being conducted are not permitted to enter the Horse Play Area.
8. Users of Horse Play Area must be respectful of other users and activities that may be occurring within the venue and act in accordance with MSEP Venue Terms and Conditions at all times.
9. **Users who do not comply with these Guidelines may be refused future access to the area.**