

Live Harness Racing at Meadowlands Racetrack – In Facility

The purpose of this plan is to update a viable, working solution to conduct live harness racing at the Meadowlands Racetrack. This operational will detail our procedures for racing with fans inside the Facility pursuant to EO 242 effective May 28, 2021. This plan resumes normal operations while maintaining cleaning practices in accordance with previous mandates.

Personnel & Attendance:

- Public shall be allowed in the Facility pursuant to Executive Order 242 which hereby lifts restrictions on indoor and outdoor capacity levels at racetracks and sports wagering lounges effective Friday, May 28, 2021.
- All social distance guidelines and mask mandates are lifted effective May 28, 2021.
 - Smoking is prohibited indoors
- All indoor dining capacities increase to 100%
 - 6 ft social distance guidelines are hereby rescinded
 - Individuals are no longer required to be seated while being served at tables or bar areas
- There will be no smoking in outside areas designated for food or beverage consumption.
- Valet parking restrictions have been lifted
- Any and all positive cases must immediately be reported to the Department of Health per the Director's email dated March 25, 2022. The Division of Gaming Enforcement and NJ Racing Commission no longer require notification as of March 29, 2022.
- In-house Medical department will follow up with all employees and patrons exhibiting any Covid19 symptoms.
 - Any employee with a 100.4 temperature or higher must be re-tested with a negative test result prior to return to work.
- Remind ALL employees to remain at home if they are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms and contact our in-house Medical department as well as department manager.
- Masks, gloves and sanitizer available for all staff. All unvaccinated staff are asked to continue to wear masks at all times.
- Employees to be provided breaks for repeated hand washing throughout their scheduled shift.
- All employees are required to wash and/or sanitize their hands especially upon entering the food or beverage kitchen and dining areas.
- Masks, gloves and sanitizer available for all patrons.
- Touch-less hand sanitizer stations are located throughout facility.
- Restrictions regarding masks indoors are lifted.
 - Unvaccinated patrons are encouraged to wear masks.
- Metal Detector/Thermal temperature scanner installed at all entrances.

- Simulcast and Clubhouse entrances will be used for ingress and egress.
 - Backyard entrance to be open weather permitting
- Plastic shields installed covering the pari-mutuel teller machines may remain at certain locations.
- All self-service machines will be cleaned no less than every four (4) hours or anytime a customer requests them to be cleaned.
- Program stands feature plastic shields (already installed) protecting patrons and program sellers may remain in place.
- Café will resume normal operations as fast food service.
 - Smoking prohibited in the outside dining areas
- Grills set up on the West Deck (**weather permitting**) to sell hot dogs, hamburgers, grilled chicken with sides available.
 - Reservations required.
 - Smoking prohibited in the outside dining areas
- Service bar set up at all outside areas (**weather permitting**)
 - Patrons may be served whether seated or standing
- Victory Sports Bar (490 total capacity):
 - All furniture to be returned to the dining and bar areas for seating
 - Waitress Service
 - Patrons are permitted to walk throughout the venue with food or beverage.
 - A copy of the cleaning procedures and the Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) of the cleaning products will be kept on file.
- All Managers to conduct pre-shift meetings reviewing hygiene practices such as hand-washing, hand sanitizing, recommendation to wear masks if not vaccinated, etc.
- Managers to enforce required infection control practices such as frequent hand washing, coughing and sneezing etiquette, paper tissue usage and disposal.
- NMR and FanDuel Sportsbook will follow all EPA and CDC guidelines regarding cleaning protocols.
- Facilities/Cleaning department to keep cleaning logs of all areas of the facility noting the date, time and scope of cleaning.
 - All logs are signed by the employee as well as recording their NJ Racing Commission license.
- Maintain cleaning logs in each kitchen that include the date, time and scope of cleaning.
 - Dining room manager must maintain cleaning logs stating date, time and scope of cleaning of all tables and counters.
 - Manager must sign each log sheet.
- Food & Beverage managers to implement procedures increasing cleaning and disinfection in the kitchen areas.

- When disinfecting all areas, avoid food contact surfaces.
- All food contact surfaces must be cleaned and sanitized using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines which is non-toxic and FDA cleared.
- All dining room tables must be cleaned and sanitized before the start of each shift and upon completion of the shift using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines which is non-toxic and FDA cleared.
- All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.

Paddock/Racing area:

- JoJo’s Café located in the paddock to open for dining.
- Trainers, grooms, and drivers may bring their own beverages and food and keep them in their respective vehicles.
- Drivers Room: Open at this time
 - Drivers may have their colors laundered each night
- Only essential paddock personnel shall be on-site, as well as trainers and essential care personnel (veterinarians, trainers, grooms, farriers).
 - Essential Paddock Personnel Includes:
 - Paddock Judge, Horse Identifier, Equipment/ Numbers Person, Outrider, and two Starting Car Persons; Security (both inside and outside of the paddock); Farrier, Veterinarians. Numbers could be placed in respective horses’ stalls prior to the arrival of any horses.
 - No one other than the Paddock Judge should be in the paddock office at any given time.
 - Horse will be assigned its Race & Post Position Stall without maintaining an empty stall between horses.
 - Paddock walls are approximately 10 ft high
- Winners Circle:
- Winners Circle attendant is needed for live race days to hold horse for the driver while winning photo is taken.
 - Groom/Winners Circle attendant will stand at the head of the horse
- Allow winning owner and guests in the Winners Circle.
- Owner and guests to leave area after photo is taken unless on-air TV interview being conducted.
- Hand sanitizer available
- During stakes season, open air golf cart will be used to transport winning Trainer and groom to the Winners Circle
 - Open air golf cart to be driven by Security guard

- Immediately following presentation, Trainer and Groom will be driven back to the Paddock.
- **Total Capacity levels unrestricted per EO 242:**
 - Victory Sports Bar = 490 (Sports Book area)
 - F & B operations to resume
 - Simulcast areas:
 - FanDuel Simulcast Lounge = 130 (Sports Book area)
 - Simulcast areas = 358 (remaining Racing areas)
 - Raceworld = 102 (Racing either by invitation or for sale at \$3 per seat)
 - VIP Room = 116 (Racing by invitation only to ensure proper seating capacity)
 - VIP Lounge = 20 (Racing by invitation only to ensure proper seating capacity)
 - Grandstand level:
 - Trotters = 230 (Racing by reservation only)
 - Waitress service
 - Buffet to resume
 - Grandstand Fixed seats (indoor) = 312
 - Mix & Mingle Area (The Lounge) = 491 (Racing and Sports Book)
 - Waitress service
 - East Deck (**Outside**) = 102 (Racing)
 - West Deck (**Outside**) = 363 (Racing)
 - Clubhouse (3rd floor):
 - Pink (total capacity = 300)
 - Skybox Suites (total capacity = 194)
 - 3rd floor deck
 - 207 capacity (outdoors)
 - Roof (4th Floor) – Outside = 570 (Racing)
 - Weather permitting
 - Backyard BBQ Bar and Grill – Outside = 200
 - Apron areas – Outside = 10,000 (Racing)
 - Fixed stadium-style seating = 1,888
 - Total square footage = 175,500 sq. ft.

Third party contractors/Vendors/Visitors:

- All third party contractors/vendors/visitors must use the loading dock entrance and sign in at the Security desk
- Masks restriction has been lifted if fully vaccinated
 - Same policy as employees applies
- Security will issue Visitor's badge

Security:

- Take note of above instructions for Third party contractors/Vendors/Visitors.
- Track Security will remain outside of the paddock and will check in horses. Verification of licensure will occur upon arrival to the Secure Paddock Area (SPA). A roaming security person in the paddock would ensure that these procedures are followed.
- Security personnel will log all those allowed to enter by name, license, date and time.
- Staff needed:
 - Stable Gate: 2 people needed to perform normal stable gate responsibilities.
 - Walter Laraway: 2 people; normal function
 - Roaming: 2 people walking through the back paddock stalls
 - Back Paddock Entry Gates – staff needed when area is in use
 - Relief: 1 person
- No visitors in the secure Paddock Area will be permitted
- Trainers/Grooms/Drivers/Owners shall be those holding a New Jersey license. Those with any underlying health issues or symptoms of illness should not come to the SPA under any circumstances. This includes any person with reason to be concerned for their health as per the latest New Jersey and US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines.
 - Any Trainers/Grooms/Drivers deemed ill during racing/qualifiers should immediately contact our Medical department and be sent home.
- All participants planning to enter the SPA shall verify at home (per CDC guidelines) that they are not running a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit prior to leaving for the raceway.
- Communications should be carried out electronically where possible.
- Trainers, grooms, and drivers may bring their own beverages and food and keep them in their respective vehicles.
- Guards stationed at entrances to ensure one person at a time walks through the Metal Detector/Thermal Temperature Scanner in an orderly fashion.
- Three (3) guards needed in the Lounge **when that area is open for dining** to enforce only customers dining are allowed in the Lounge. Guests to be wristbanded by F & B hostess.
 - One (1) stationed at the top of the escalator
 - One (1) stationed outside of the elevator by the Gallery
 - One (1) walking throughout the Lounge
- One (1) guard needed in the Betting Hall near the FanDuel sports betting tills – coordinate with FanDuel when those windows will be open.
 - **Tills cannot open without Security presence**

- Guards to enforce no smoking policy; especially near dining areas.
- One guard needed on live race days to drive the open air golf cart transporting the winning Trainer and Groom to the Winners Circle.
- Immediately following presentation, guard to take the Trainer and Groom back to the paddock.

Facilities/Cleaning:

- Sanitizer stations throughout the facility
 - Wipe down elevators and high touch areas with sanitizing cloths
- Hand sanitizing stations to be set up at all food and beverage locations.
- Hand Sanitizing station to be set up at all entrances.
- Metal Detector/Thermal Temperature scanner to be moved to Simulcast and Clubhouse entrances.
- Return all furniture throughout facility including bars.
- Clean all areas including furniture no less than every four (4) hours or anytime a customer requests seating/tables to be cleaned.
- All office areas, including vaults and cage, must be cleaned and sanitized every night.
- Disinfectant wipes must be provided to all offices so that they can wipe down their workspace during the course of their shift.
- Every evening when facility closes, entire building must be cleaned and sanitized per EPA and CDC guidelines.
 - Current disinfectant:
 - AIRx Spray n Go (kills 99.9% of bacteria in 5 seconds)
 - Enviro Care Neutral Disinfectant
- Increase the volume of outdoor air to the maximum capacity while the facility is occupied
- Select maximum filtration levels for the HVAC unit
- Lighting has been provided for the outside dining areas by the Café.

Track:

- Normal sanitizing procedures at the conclusion of each race night using EPA and CDC guidelines.

Racing Office:

- No agents will be allowed in the office.
- Online entries encouraged.
- JoJo's Café to be open for dining
- Reminders for all horsemen:
 - Warm- ups will be permitted (one per horse). Horses will go onto racetrack 10-12 minutes prior to post-time.
 - There will be no hitching or unhitching of race bikes in the paddock. One handler per horse (trainer or groom) will lead horses outside to be hitched prior to post parade. Same procedure will be followed

post-race with drivers to remove their race bikes and relocate them for their next drive.

- No more than one person per horse (the “handler”, no exceptions).
- Thirty minutes after conclusion of the race, the handler must leave with the horse unless tending to other horses. Then the handler may remain and check on the horse.
- Horses and equipment shall either be washed at home (preferable) or outside the trainer's trailer or other pre-assigned area.
- Any horsemen interested in dining:
 - Any horseman that is exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 should not report to the track and must be advised of that when taking reservation.
 - Reservations must be made in advance

Medical:

- Simulcast and race night medical staff is needed as usual
 - Simulcast staff must be stationed front side
- Provide report to NMR management and Security Director whenever there is a suspected and/or confirmed Covid issue.
- In-house Medical department will follow up with all employees and patrons exhibiting any Covid19 symptoms.
 - Any employee with a 100.4 temperature or higher must be re-tested with a negative test result prior to return to work.

Players Club/VIP:

- Normal operations resume in VIP rooms
- Daily reservation list to be kept on file
- Signage at online window advises patrons will be required to lower their mask when conducting cashier transactions and when requested for identification purposes

Food and Beverage:

- [https://nj.gov/health/legal/covid19/Indoor Dining Guidance 7-1-21.pdf](https://nj.gov/health/legal/covid19/Indoor_Dining_Guidance_7-1-21.pdf)
- ALL F & B staff must wear hat or hair net at all times during their shift
 - Masks required if staff is not fully vaccinated.
- Smoking is prohibited in all outside areas designated for dining
- All Managers to conduct pre-shift meetings reviewing hygiene practices such as hand-washing, hand sanitizing, recommendation to wear masks if not vaccinated, etc.
 - Managers to enforce required infection control practices such as frequent hand washing, coughing and sneezing etiquette, paper tissue usage and disposal.
 - Remind ALL employees to remain at home if they are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms and contact our in-house Medical department.

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- All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
- Victory Sports Bar (490 total capacity)
 - Waitress and bar service
 - Tables to be sanitized per EO 183
 - All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
 - Patrons are permitted to walk throughout the venue with food or beverage.
 - Reservations required
- Backyard BBQ Bar and Grill(Outside – 200 total capacity)
 - BBQ sold ala carte
 - Bar to serve all guests only. Patrons are permitted to walk throughout the venue with food or beverage.
 - Waitress service available
 - Chalkboard menu
 - Sell ribs, brisket, pulled pork and chicken from smoker
 - Grill – hamburgers, sausage and peppers
 - Macaroni and cheese
 - Cold salads
 - Smoking is prohibited in all outside areas designated for dining
- Café
 - Resume normal operations as fast food stand
 - When disinfecting all areas/counters, avoid food contact surfaces.

- All food contact surfaces must be cleaned and sanitized using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
- Simulcast bar – resume normal operations
- Trotters (230 total capacity)
 - Open to members, Horsemen and VIP invited guests only
 - Membership reservations must be made in advance by calling 201-842-5059 or email mrotella@playmeadowlands.com
 - Patrons are permitted to walk throughout the venue with food or beverage
 - Dishes/utensils/glassware cleaned and sanitized using Ecolab dishwasher and products
 - Linen tablecloths
 - All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
 - Buffet and Waitress Service available
 - Setup chafing dishes as normal
- West Deck(Outside – weather permitting – 363 total capacity)
 - Trotters dining/overflow
 - Reservations must be made in advance by calling 201-842-5059 or email mrotella@playmeadowlands.com
 - Patrons are allowed to walk throughout the facility with any food and/or any beverage
 - Smoking is prohibited in all outside areas designated for dining
 - All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
- Lounge Bar (Mix and Mingle area – total capacity 491)
 - Waitress service only
 - All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
 - Service bar to offer full menu of alcoholic beverages as well as soft drinks
 - Bar to serve all guests.

- Patrons are allowed to walk throughout the facility with any food and/or any beverage
- Reservations required with credit card information provided
- Pink (total capacity 300)
 - Reservations must be made in advance by calling 201-460-4079
 - Patrons are allowed to walk throughout the facility with any food and/or any beverage
 - Buffet and Waitress Service
 - Setup chafing dishes on buffet line as normal
 - Dishes/utensils/glassware cleaned and sanitized using Ecolab dishwasher and products
 - All tables, chairs and shared items must be cleaned and sanitized after each use using “series N” cleaning agent per CDC guidelines.
- Skybox Suites (total capacity 194)
 - Dishes/utensils/glassware cleaned and sanitized using Ecolab dishwasher and products
- 3rd floor Deck (outside – total capacity 207):

Admissions/Programs:

- RaceWorld at 100 % capacity = 102 seats
 - Any remaining seats to be sold at \$3.00 per seat per session
- Programs needed for Simulcast and Live Racing

Mutuels:

- Plexi-glass shields are available for use at the pari-mutuel machines.
- All machines to be cleaned/sanitized no less than every four (4) hours or anytime a customer requests it be cleaned

Tote:

- Ensure all teller machines and self service machines are operational
- All machines to be cleaned/sanitized no less than every four (4) hours or anytime a customer requests it be cleaned
- Set up outside teller bays

TV:

- Check outdoor sound
- Make sure all outside TV's are operational

Sports Wagering Lounges (Victory and Simulcast Lounge):

- Resume normal operations
- Signage at Cashier tills advising guests to lower their mask momentarily prior to placing a wager
 - Patrons will be required to lower their mask when conducting cashier transactions and when requested for identification purposes

- Signage regarding lowering mask is at Cash and Counter transaction window
- Signage appears as a rotating slide on TV's
- All tills to be open regardless of 6 ft social distance
- All kiosks/SSBT's to re-open regardless of 6 ft social distance and/or plexiglass barriers between each kiosk
- All unvaccinated employees recommended to wear masks
- All equipment will be cleaned no less than every four (4) hours or anytime a customer requests them to be cleaned