



## Horse Care Info Sheet

## Be a Front Runner and Protect Your Horse

### Checklist: are you doing these things to prevent sickness?

#### At Home:

- Vaccinate your horses—this is your first line of defence against viruses!
- Have signs to tell visitors where to go, where not to go, and to identify sick horses
- Protocols—communicate with your employees and staff— what do you do and why?
- Clean hands! Use alcohol-based sanitizers—salt block holders hold them well!
- Clean clothes and boots/footwear—have boots that stay in the barn
- Clean tack and equipment—no sharing!
- Monitor your horses—**DEPP**: **D**rinking, **E**ating, **P**ooping, **P**eeing, - Temperatures too!
- Separate sick horses from other healthy horses and monitor
- Separate new, or returning, horses and monitor
- Talk to your veterinarian, farrier and any other important staff about disease risk



#### At the Track:

- Clean trailers with your own broom and shovel
- Be selfish! No sharing and no touching
- Clean hands, clothes and boots!
- Clean tack, buckets and other equipment
- Clean stalls—use your own equipment and wash after use
- Disinfectant wipes for cleaning cross-ties—shorten them to prevent chewing
- Take routine temperatures to monitor for signs you can't see!
- Separate horses when returning home and monitor them—DEPP!

Interested in learning more about biosecurity? - Take the [Sickness Prevention in Horses](#) short online course at [TheHorsePortal.ca](#)