

Irish Quarter Horse Association Disclaimer of Responsibility for Safety at Approved Events and Activities

By participating in any approved events or activities organized or sanctioned by the Irish Quarter Horse Association (IQHA), all participants, including members, competitors, volunteers, officials, and spectators, acknowledge and accept the following disclaimer of responsibility for safety:

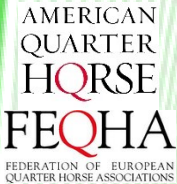
- 1. Assumption of Risk:** Participation in IQHA events and activities involves inherent risks associated with equestrian sports, including but not limited to horseback riding, handling horses, and being in the proximity of horses. Participants understand and accept these risks and voluntarily choose to engage in IQHA events, assuming full responsibility for their own safety and the safety of their horses and property.
- 2. Personal Safety Responsibility:** Each participant is responsible for ensuring their personal safety and that of their horse(s). This includes wearing appropriate safety equipment such as helmets, boots, and protective vests as recommended for the specific discipline or activity. Participants should evaluate their own skills, experience, and physical condition to determine their suitability for participating in IQHA events.
- 3. Horse Safety Responsibility:** Participants are responsible for the welfare, training, and behaviour of their own horses. It is the participant's obligation to ensure that their horse(s) are properly trained, vaccinated, healthy, and suitable for the activities in which they will be involved. Participants must take all reasonable precautions to prevent harm to their horse(s), other horses, and individuals present at IQHA events.
- 4. Facility and Equipment Safety:** The IQHA strives to select and approve venues and facilities that meet reasonable safety standards. However, participants understand that the IQHA does not guarantee the safety or suitability of any venue or facility and cannot be held liable for any accidents, injuries, or damages that may occur due to the condition or layout of the facility or the use of equipment provided.
- 5. Waiver of Liability:** Participants acknowledge that the IQHA, its officers, directors, officials, members, volunteers, and representatives are not liable for any injuries, accidents, damages, losses, or claims arising out of or in connection with participation in IQHA events and activities. This includes, but is not limited to, personal injury, property damage, theft, or loss of any kind.
- 6. Compliance with Rules and Regulations:** Participants agree to abide by all IQHA rules, regulations, and guidelines pertaining to safety and conduct. Failure

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to comply with these rules may result in disciplinary action and may disqualify the participant from further participation in IQHA events.

7. Insurance: Participants are strongly advised to maintain adequate personal and equine insurance coverage to protect themselves, their horses, and their property against accidents, injuries, damages, or liabilities that may occur during IQHA events or activities.

By participating in IQHA events and activities, all individuals acknowledge that they have read, understood, and voluntarily accepted this disclaimer of responsibility for safety. Participants agree to release and hold harmless the IQHA, its officers, directors, officials, members, volunteers, and representatives from any claims, liabilities, or damages arising from their participation in IQHA events and activities.