

Bangalore Turf Club Ltd.

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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR RACE DAYS

ALL PROFESSIONALS ARE REQUESTED TO STRICTLY FOLLOW THE COVID-19 GUIDELINES

It is the responsibility of all persons concerned attending race to ensure that they abide by the protocols and the regulations set forth by B.T.C. in order to conduct race in safe and secure manner. They should also ensure that they are COVID FREE and must take all the permissible measures such as sanitizing their hands, wearing of facemask, maintaining social distance etc., to protect the sanctity of the premises of B.T.C.

Any professionals travelling from outstation to participate During Bangalore Winter Meeting 2020-2021 have to provide a (COVID – ve certificate validity within 10 days of result).

A. **SCREENING AT THE MAIN GATE ENTRANCE:**

01. All entry from Gate No. 1 only.
02. Screening, sanitization at the entrance, wearing of proper facemasks mandatory, screening for general condition of people, mandatory to download Arogya Setu App.
03. Access to the B.T.C. will be strictly limited to those key personnel essential to conduct the race and those persons who are exclusively permitted by the Management of the B.T.C at its discretion. Those persons who have been granted permission are remained required to follow protocols / SOP.
04. Maintain social distance – minimum six feet distance.
05. No overcrowding.
06. Avoid unnecessary physical contact of any surfaces.
07. Remain seated at designated seats or area – to avoid crowding.
08. Always keep facemasks covered fully up to nose (all time).
09. Wash hands regularly.
10. Strictly no smoking / use of tobacco / spitting within the BTC premises.



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B. FOOD & BEVERAGES

01. No food and beverages allowed inside.

C. HORSES

01. Only those horses participating in the race/Mock race to be brought to the paddock prior to the race timing.
02. Only Trainer, syce and one stable staff per horse to be allowed in the saddling enclosures.
03. To maintain strict social distancing norms, wear facemasks & sanitize hands before and after saddling – try to use gloves, if possible.
04. Paddock area – only one concerned Owner of the horse, Jockey, Trainer allowed – minimal contact, social distance to be maintained, masks mandatory.
05. Any surface likely to be touched by the jockey must be wiped down with disinfectant or similar – in particular, the reins and neck strap.
06. The trainer or their representative will retrieve equipment from the designated area (in or near the weighing room) and proceed to saddling area. Note that prior to or after handling or transferring any equipment that hands must be sanitized or washed immediately.

D. JOCKEYS AND TRAINERS

01. Jockeys and Trainers to wear facemasks and maintain social distancing.
02. To sanitize their hands and equipments before and after each race.
03. On completion of the race, the Trainers / Jockey who does not have any other runner or ride in any of the races are requested to leave the BTC premises.
04. Once the horse is secured, Jockey will dismount and unsaddle the horse while stable staff will maintain as much distance as safely.
05. All furniture and workstations will be arranged so that 2m social distancing will be maintained.



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06. **All saddles and jockeys' equipment** should be disinfected on arrival on site by the jockey themselves as much as possible.
07. **Number clothes** for each race, will be laid out in designated area in or near the Weighing Room and the hand sanitizers will be placed near the area. After the use of number cloths, such person who touched the cloth should sanitize his/her hands immediately.
08. An additional table will be provided next to the scales on which jockeys can place their hat, whip, and any other equipment that would usually be placed in front of the Clerk of the Scales.
09. Trainers are requested to be seated in the new trainers stand area next to the paddock.

E. JOCKEY'S FACE COVERINGS

01. Prior to the race, jockeys are required to wear a facemask (which covers nose and mouth) from the time they depart the changing area in the Weighing Room.
02. The wearing of face coverings during the race is recommended. However, jockeys are permitted to pull down the facemask covering in the moments immediately prior to the start and for the duration of the race. For Jockeys in the starting stalls should not turn to face any neighboring loaded jockey (i.e. face forward at all times).
03. On completion of the race, the face covering, if lowered for the race, should be raised before entering the horse walk, whether mounted or on foot.
04. While the face covering is lowered, it is essential that two-meter social distancing is maintained, e.g. if walking back to the Weighing Room with other jockeys, or if speaking to trainers or owners.

F. LOADING / STARTING PROCEDURES:

01. Staggered loads, as usual. Maximum of two/four pushers. Stalls staff should remain in gate area except for facilities breaks & sufficient social distancing measures try to have not less than 2m. Handlers will be allowed in stalls to assist the horse during the start, but must wear a facemask avoid face to face contact wherever possible.
02. Handlers to sanitize their hands before and after loading procedures.



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03. Starter to ensure safety of handlers as well as the horses.
04. Handling equipments and starting gates to be sanitized before and after each race with suitable / permissible sanitizers.
05. Parking of cars for Stewards / MC Members will be permitted at Gate No. 1.
06. Parking of cars for Owners and Trainers will be permitted at Gate No. 1.
07. Parking of cars for Jockeys will be permitted at High Grounds Traffic Police Station – Club's Parking Area.

THIS STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE [SOP] SHALL BE IN FORCE FOR THE RACE DAYS TILL FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS EXPRESSLY REVOKED BY THE MANAGING COMMITTEE OF THE BTC BY A CIRCULAR ISSUED IN WRITING TO THAT EFFECT.

**By the Order of the Managing Committee
for Bangalore Turf Club Limited,**

K. L. Nagesh Babu

Joint Secretary

Place: Bengaluru
Date: October 30, 2020

