

**MnDRA1
Endurance Event
Covid-19 Preparedness Plan
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Riders will be informed of this Covid-19 preparedness plan before the event.

If riders are sick, they STAY HOME.

- Campers will be encouraged to be self-sufficient. For example, arrive prepared with their own soap, surface disinfectant supplies, hand sanitizer, paper towels/hand towels and toilet paper, in case these necessities are not available onsite. They will be asked to maintain social distancing.
- Registrations and entries, as much as possible, will be done online and via mailings before the event. At the event, any paperwork collected will be done outside, and with minimal contact.
- This Covid-19 plan, along with trail maps and a written “rider's meeting” will be handed out at the entrance of the event. If a participant has not pre-entered, they will also receive an entry form and ride card at this time. For those who have registered but still have their paperwork, it will be collected at this time also.
- There will be appropriate **signage** on site, including at entrances and in other locations that can be easily seen by riders, workers, and volunteers. Signage content will include reminders to maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet away, to wear a mask in vet and indoor areas, and to wash hands and clean areas after use.
- Participants will be asked:
 - 1) to maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times from others, except for members of the same household, including at water stops.
 - 2) to wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; if soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.
 - 3) to avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Any support groups for competitors (such as a “crew”) must avoid congregating and maintain social distancing with people from other households throughout the event.
- If there are any spectators, they will maintain social distancing and will be strongly encouraged to wear a manufactured or homemade cloth face covering per MDH guidance.
- Face masks will be worn in the trail center. Face masks will be worn outside when social distancing is not possible. Social distancing must be observed even if face coverings are in use.

- Riders, workers, and volunteers should use proper handwashing, observe respiratory etiquette, and avoid using others' phones, stethoscopes, heart monitors, and other equipment. There will be access to handwashing/hand sanitizing facilities and supplies.
- Any verbal instructions given during the event will be outside, with social distancing, and no more than 25 per group.
- Surfaces such as porta-potties, table-tops, and other items that are high-touch will be regularly cleaned and sanitized.
- Ride management will provide extra masks and gloves in camp.
- Group sizes will be limited to less than 25 persons, and social distancing will be maintained. (Group size limitation is inclusive of participants, organizers, officials and spectators).
- All distance competitions for this event will encourage a “staggered start” approach for any competition with more than 10 participants. This normally happens anyway, as riders start either fast or slow, or anywhere in between, depending on their own race mentality.

Camping – Dispersed campsites

Campers in overflow lot will be directed to maintain at least 20 feet between trailers and camping equipment. Campsites will be set up —sleeping, campfire and eating areas— to maximize distance from adjacent campsites that host people from different households. Only share a campsite, tent, camper or RV with people from a different household if you can maintain social distancing at all times.

Vet Area

Pre-ride vetting and pulse boxes will be delineated keeping horses at least 12 feet apart. Riders will go to the next available box and wait for the vet team to come to them. If all boxes are full, especially during pre-ride vetting, riders can come back later or form a well-distanced waiting line. Riders will wear masks while the vet is checking their horse. Only one handler for each horse allowed. There will be a volunteer designated to direct traffic.

Crew Area

Riders will be encouraged to crew at their campsite. There will also be a large designated area where crew items can be spread out.

Potluck

There will be NO potluck. Subway will cater sub sandwiches for Saturday dinner. Ride management will provide food for the vets and volunteers, and there will be one person in charge of handling meals, wearing gloves and a mask. Except for pre-packaged items, individuals will not serve themselves.

Awards

Weather permitting, award ceremony will be outside. Social distancing will be followed. A volunteer will hand out awards.