

Salt Lake County Equestrian Park Policy on

The Race Track

Racetrack

In order to provide for the training and competition of racing horses, saddle horses are discouraged, but not prohibited, from using the track. Saddle horse users are instead encouraged to use the arenas, round-pens, polo field, etc. Track users are **required to wear a helmet** and encouraged to use a chest protector while riding on the track. Track users should take every precaution to ensure that safety is provided for. **From November 1 through end of February the track is closed. Winter rules apply (please see front desk for winter rules).**

Track General Etiquette provides that track users;

- 1) Jockeys should proceed in a counter clockwise direction for exercising horses.
- 2) Slower traffic should stay to the outside rail.
- 3) Jockeys should be aware of and communicate with other users in order to avoid accidents.
- 4) Owners, trainers and jockeys shall conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times and exercise courtesy while using the facility.
- 5) Track users shall display Annual Passes or other proof of payment while using the facility. **Staff may stop users and request such proof at any time.**
- 6.) Track users are **required to wear a helmet** and encouraged to use a chest protector while riding on the track.
- 7.) We will let you know when the race track is open or closed by what flag is flying at the track

Green Flag: means that the track is open, but does not necessarily mean that it has been worked or is in good condition. Under a green flag, you ride at your own risk. Also, under green flag it is possible that entire track may not be open.

Red Flag: means the track is closed and the gates will be locked. No Horses will be allowed. Even if a gate is open and a red flag is flying the track is still closed. *IF you ride when there is a red flag flying, you will receive a written warning and subsequently be suspended from any track use.*

The Equestrian Park staff reserves the right to maintain the track at our discretion and to our specifications. Track work will be done within our yearly revenue and budget constraints. Preferential treatment will not be given to any group except, for those within their racing season. Realistic track suggestions are welcome and can be directed to the Maintenance Supervisor or Program Manager. During the fall and winter, the track will be treated as a training facility and maintenance will be done as we deem necessary. Those racing trainers or groups that would like to be notified when we have a track closure can come in and place their names on the track closure notification list.

Winter Race Track Rules

Track standards are as follows:

During the winter months of November – February, the Laurel Brown Race Track will be considered CLOSED.

By definition CLOSED means that when possible and weather permitting, track maintenance will be done and attempts will be made to maintain the surface, however, special request for track work, whether that be snow removal, spreading of salt, grading, watering, rolling, sealing of the track surface or request from individuals for themselves to work the track with personal man power or equipment will not be entertained.

We will work the track as often as possible including daily, however we reserve the right to determine what is best for the track and when it is closed.

(Extra work or request for *non-standards* workings will cost \$50.00 per hour of work.)

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