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## ARENA RIDING ETIQUETTE

### 1. **Be Courteous:**

- Always be polite and considerate to fellow riders, instructors, and spectators.

### 2. **Communicate Clearly:**

- Use clear and audible signals to communicate with other riders, especially when passing or changing gaits.

### 3. **Maintain Safe Distances:**

- Keep a safe distance from other riders to avoid potential collisions.

### 4. **Follow Arena Rules:**

- Adhere to all posted arena rules and guidelines for a safe and enjoyable experience.

### 5. **Control Your Horse:**

- Ensure your horse is under control at all times, and be aware of your surroundings. Use of red ribbons on the tail for kickers and on mane for horses that nip/bite are strongly encouraged.

### 6. **No Unauthorized Jumping:**

- Jumping is allowed only with permission from the instructor or facility manager.

### 7. **Respect the Warm-Up Track:**

- Walk only on the warm-up track; use the main arena for other gaits.

### 8. **Clean Up After Your Horse:**

- Pick up manure promptly to maintain a clean and safe environment.

### 9. **No Food in the Arena:**

- Refrain from bringing food into the riding arena to prevent distractions and maintain cleanliness.

### 10. **Close Gates Behind You:**

- Keep arena gates closed to prevent horses from escaping and ensure security.

### 11. **Be Mindful of Time:**

- Respect designated arena hours and ride within the specified time limits.

### 12. **Take Turns in Crowded Conditions:**

- When the arena is crowded, be patient and take turns to avoid congestion.



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**13. Exit Promptly if Directed:**

- If instructed by staff, exit the arena promptly for safety or maintenance reasons.

**14. No Dogs In The Arena, Must Be Leashed:**

- For safety reasons, dogs are not allowed in the riding arena. County of San Diego mandates **all** dogs must be leashed at all times. Failure to control your dog will result in you and your guests being asked to leave the property immediately.

**15. Stay In Designated Riding Areas:**

- Ride only in designated areas to prevent confusion and accidents.

**16. Keep Safe Distance from Other Riders:**

- Maintain a safe distance from other riders to prevent accidents and ensure a comfortable riding experience.

**17. Park Safely:**

- Park your vehicle with enough room for horses to be tied to trailers safely.

**18. No Profanity:**

- Refrain from using profanity to maintain a respectful atmosphere.

**19. Go to the Center of the Arena if Your Horse is Acting Up:**

- Move to the center of the arena if your horse is displaying unruly behavior to prevent potential hazards.

**20. Stop Riding if Someone Falls Off:**

- Cease riding if you witness someone falling off their horse to avoid further incidents.

**21. Stay Off Your Phone While Riding:**

- Focus on riding; avoid using your phone to ensure your attention is on your horse and surroundings.

**22. Don't Film Other Riders Without Permission:**

- Respect the privacy of other riders; refrain from filming without their explicit permission.

Remember, adherence to these guidelines contributes to a safe, positive, and enjoyable riding environment for everyone.