



Breathalyser Policy of the International Mounted Games Association

BREATHALYSER - Teams

Testing of all Open and Junior (Under 18) riders (plus their trainer if he/she goes into the arena).
Breath test pass is set at zero alcohol.

No alcohol may be drunk at IMGA competitions by any rider under 18 years old. Any rider under 18 years old drinking alcohol at an IMGA competition will be banned from competing at this competition and a letter will be sent to her/his home country.

To include the 6th rider. Includes official practice sessions in an arena.

Referees, trainers and assistant referees of all age groups to take the breathalyser test also.

No testing of U15 and U12 riders (unless suspicion of alcohol). Random breath tests may take place for U15s and U12s.

Testing to be done every day for all riders' first session (unless suspicion of alcohol taken before second session).

Host country and IMGA to provide staffing to breathalyse riders.

A breathalyser testing :- one person ticking attendance. Host country to provide lists of riders.

Testing starts a minimum of 75 minutes before the first session starts. Exact timings will be announced at each competition but it is envisaged to breathalyse all riders, trainers, referees and assistant referees by 10:30 each morning. The breathalyser after this will be placed in the main ring commentary box.

It is the responsibility of the trainers/chef d'équipe to present their teams at the correct time for breath testing.

Rider to give her/his name to breathalyser staff.

If rider blows positive (i.e. shows a reading above zero), the rider must blow into spare breathalyser for a second reading. If reading is above zero, the rider must wait until blows clear before competing. If reading is then clear, the rider will be ok to ride.

6th rider may compete if a team member fails the breathalyser test but has to stay as the competing rider for the rest of the competition. Any rider or trainer who exceeds these limits will not be permitted to enter the arena (or practice arena) during the next 2 sessions after the infringement has been detected. This means that the rider will miss the session he/she is in AND the 2 following sessions.

Rider's Federation/home organisation will receive a letter describing the situation.

If the trainer blows positive she/he may direct operations from outside the arena or appoint a substitute trainer to go the arena and who must also take the breath test.



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BREATHALYSER – Pairs

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Includes official practice sessions in an arena.

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It is the responsibility of the trainers to present themselves and their riders at the correct time for breath testing.

Parents/supporters needed to hold their ponies.

Rider to give her/his name to breathalyser staff.

If rider blows positive (ie shows a reading above zero), the rider must blow into spare breathalyser for a second reading. If reading is above zero, the rider must wait until blows clear before competing. If reading is then clear, the rider will be ok to ride.

Any rider or trainer who exceeds these limits will not be permitted to enter the arena (or practice arena) during the next 2 sessions after the infringement has been detected. This means that the rider will miss the session he/she is in AND the 2 following sessions.

If the trainer blows positive she/he may direct operations from outside the arena or appoint a substitute trainer to go the arena and who must also take the breath test.



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BREATHALYSER – Individuals

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Referees, trainers and assistant referees of all age groups to take the breathalyser test also.

Includes official practice sessions in an arena.

No testing of U15 and U12 riders (unless suspicion of alcohol). Random breath tests may take place for U15s and U12s.

Testing to be done every day for riders' first session (unless suspicion of alcohol taken before second session).

Host country and IMGA to provide staffing to breathalyse riders.

A breathalyser testing :- one person ticking attendance. Host country to provide lists of riders.

Testing starts a minimum of 75 minutes before the first session starts. Exact timings will be announced at each competition but it is envisaged to breathalyse all riders, trainers, referees and assistant referees by 10:30 each morning. The breathalyser after this will be placed in the main ring commentary box.

It is the responsibility of the trainers to present themselves and their riders at the correct time for breath testing.

Parents/supporters needed to hold ponies.

Rider to give her/his name to breathalyser staff.

If rider blows positive (ie shows a reading above zero), the rider must blow into spare breathalyser for a second reading. If reading is above zero, the rider must wait until blows clear before competing. If reading is then clear, the rider will be ok to ride.

Any rider or trainer who exceeds these limits will not be permitted to enter the arena (or practice arena) during the next 2 sessions after the infringement has been detected. This means that the rider will miss the session he/she is in AND the 2 following sessions.

If the trainer blows positive she/he may direct operations from outside the arena or appoint a substitute trainer to go the arena and who must also take the breath test.



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EQUIPMENT

2 breathalysers

Microphone stand

1 clipboard

1 rain clipboard

Programmes for the competition

Pens

- Breathalyser kits to be calibrated every 6 months
- Testing to be done near to warm up arena
- Testing to be explained at Briefing – location, timings etc.
- Staff to be shown how breathalyser works and how to implement policy before the competition starts.
- Host country to remind all Open and U18 competitors, all assistant referees and trainers of the policy when riders/ Reps book their entry as a condition of entry:-

"At these Championships there will be breath testing for all Open and U18 riders and trainers before their first session of each day (including practice days). The breath test limit is set at zero alcohol. Referees and assistant referees of all age groups to take the breathalyser test also. Full details can be found on the IMGA website."