



GROOM PROTOCOL

TRAINERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PASSING THESE RULES ON TO THEIR EMPLOYEES AND MAKING SURE EMPLOYEES UNDERSTAND AND COMPLY.

1. When you arrive at the entry checkpoint (via the driveway at 2605 Butler Road), please don your facemask and present your parking credentials.
2. FACEMASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES.
3. Grooms will begin leading horses from the Assembly Area to the Paddock at the instruction of the Paddock Judge(s), as communicated to the Stable Steward. This will occur at approximately 2:40 PM for the Grand National, 3:25 PM for the Benjamin H. Murray Memorial, and 4:10 PM for the Western Run Plate II.
4. Grooms will lead horses in the Paddock as the Paddock Judge(s) call "Riders Up!"; Riders will mount immediately.
5. Once Riders are mounted, Grooms will lead horses out of the paddock and onto the course through the north Paddock gate.
6. After Groom releases his/her horse onto the racecourse, he/she must stand near the Paddock or Finish Line area, making efforts to socially distance.
7. After the race, Grooms will collect all horses, lead them back to the Assembly Area, then return them to their stabling area.
8. The only exception is the winner of the race. This horse will remain on the racecourse; the Groom will hold onto his/her horse for the win picture near the Finish Line posts. The Rider will dismount after the photo and the Groom will proceed directly to the Assembly Area.

NOTE: Please be advised that the Grand National Steeplechase Association will not provide any drinks, snacks, and/or ice for personal consumption. There will be limited trash receptacles and/or collection at the event. Everyone must bring any and all provisions with them to the property. Thank you.

IF YOU HAVE ANY COVID-19-LIKE SYMPTOMS, PLEASE STAY HOME!

To preserve the health and safety of fellow patrons, horsemen, race officials and volunteer staff, please wear a mask and maintain social distance at all times while on the race grounds. Attendees are required to observe all State and Baltimore County government regulations, including directives from police and race day medical and security personnel. **Attendees waive any and all claims against the Grand National Steeplechase Association, Inc., the Grand National Race Committee, the Valleys Planning Council, Inc., and the associated property owners, including those related to COVID-19.**