



NEW ZEALAND PONY CLUBS ASSOCIATION INC.

Policy for Pony Club Teams Returning to New Zealand

Purpose

To ensure that New Zealand retains its Equine Influenza free status.

Background

Following consultation with the major equine groups within New Zealand concerning protocols for preventing the spread of Equine Influenza, these procedures were established by NZPCA for Pony Club Teams returning to New Zealand.

Procedures

1. All gear used by a rider returning to New Zealand from overseas, with particular emphasis on Australia (including but not limited to gear bags, whips, boots, helmets, body protectors, saddles and attachments and packing) must be declared at Border Control.
2. Representative saddle blankets must be dry cleaned before returning or immediately upon arrival home to New Zealand.
3. If the rider has had contact with horses or gear or other horse persons just prior to returning to New Zealand, that individual should spend at least 3 days in a non-horse environment before moving to their final destination. In that time all clothes that could have been exposed to horses should be thoroughly washed or dry cleaned.
4. The above procedures are subject to change.

Attachments: Biosecurity New Zealand Equine Influenza flyer

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