

## **MGM Resorts International**

### Temporary Horsemen Protocols for the Return of Racing at Yonkers Raceway

**Overview:** The health and safety of our employees and participants continues to be a top priority for MGM Resorts. In coordination with our team of public health experts, and in consultation with the New York Gaming Commission, MGM Resorts will begin implementing revised temporary employee/horsemen screening protocols at the racetrack to include temperature checks, self-administered survey of current symptoms and recent COVID-19 exposure. These procedures are subject to change at any time as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves.

### **ACCESS**

**Before being admitted to the paddock, all horsemen traveling to Yonkers from an off-property location must follow the screening procedures below. If screening process is passed, off-property horsemen will be assigned a stall in the paddock and must remain at that stall for the duration of their horse's racing activity while maintaining social distancing from other on-site personnel at all times. Call the Race Office (914-457-2627) for further information.**

All trainers are required to screen their own employees each day for COVID-19 related symptoms. The screening questions asked should include:

1. Do you have a new cough or shortness of breath that you cannot attribute to another health condition?
2. Do you have any two of the following symptoms: Fever (100° Fahrenheit or higher), chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell?
3. Have you come into close contact (within 6 feet) for an extended period of time (more than five minutes) with someone who has a laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis in the past 14 days?

Trainer shall not allow employees who answer yes to the screening questions to participate at Yonkers Raceway and should strongly consider sending them home.

Trainer must notify Race Office which licensed horseman will accompany the horse racing at Yonkers. Once designated by the trainer, that designated licensee will be added to Essential Persons List. **Only individuals on the Essential Persons list will be allowed in the paddock.** No visitors, guests or owners will be permitted in the paddock. The Essential Persons List is maintained for review by the New York State Gaming Commission and Department of Health on a daily basis.



Temperature screening will be conducted at the security tent outside the paddock for all personnel on the Essential Persons List seeking admission to the paddock.

No horses should be brought to the temperature screening area. Once a horseman has their temperature reading at under 100° Fahrenheit, they will receive a wristband for access to the paddock that day. The horseman can then bring their horse into the paddock and show their wristband upon entering.

Any personnel that fail the initial temperature screening can visit the cool down area where water will be available, and they then can be retested. Those failing the temperature screening a second time will be denied access to the paddock.

Please arrive early enough to allow time for temperature check before entering the paddock for Lasix. **No one will be allowed entry to the paddock until completing temperature screening.**

Access to the Race Office is by appointment only. Please call when you arrive (914-457-2627).

## **PROTOCOLS**

Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) will be distributed at the security tent and must be worn inside the paddock

No food allowed in paddock

No access to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the driver's building

No more than 2 drivers in locker room area at one time

Showers and laundry service unavailable in driver's room

Horsemen should refrain from sharing equipment

All personnel should regularly wash hands and follow hygiene protocols displayed throughout paddock

## **CONDUCT**

All horsemen must practice social distancing in the paddock

Hand sanitizing stations have been added throughout the paddock and should be used regularly

No congregating in driver's room or on up or down ramps

All horses and horsemen should leave as quickly as possible after the completion of their race