



Beaumont and District Agricultural Society

"Strengthening rural roots in Alberta's Capital Region"

5010A – 52 Avenue, Beaumont, Alberta T4X 1E5



BADAS Cross-Country Course – User Policies

1. Authorization **MUST** be obtained from the Beaumont & District Agricultural Society (BADAS) Board before using the Cross-Country Course. Making a confirmed booking through the Booking Volunteer, General Manager, or their designate, effectively gives approval to use the Course.
2. Bookings are on a first-come, first-served basis. For 2016, a completed and signed Booking Form (see the BADAS website) is required. The form includes contact information for the coach that will be training the riders. At least one individual, normally the coach, must be designated as the **Person Responsible (PR)**, who assumes responsibility for the riders, horses and facilities under her/his care and control.
[See the BADAS Booking Procedure and Form (2016 version), available on the BADAS website, for more details.]
3. Fees MUST be paid and participating groups signed in for each session (visit) to the Cross-Country Course, before riding. Once per year, each rider (parent/guardian if rider under 18) **MUST** sign and submit a General Use Waiver form prior to riding. Signatures must be witnessed.
4. In the event of inclement weather and/or poor ground conditions, the facility will be closed. Please confirm availability of the course with the **Booking Volunteer** or Fairgrounds Supervisor. Please refer to the *Course Closure Policy* (over) for further details.
5. **Insurance coverage** is mandatory. All riders must provide proof of current Alberta Equestrian Federation (AEF) or equivalent insurance coverage. In the event of an out of Province rider, equivalent equestrian Provincial Sport Organization insurance coverage must be proven.
6. **ALL** riders (no exceptions) **MUST** wear approved helmets and riding boots at all times while mounted.
7. **NO** lone riders are allowed. A qualified instructor/coach **MUST** be with an individual rider or booked group of riders at all times while on the Course. In the instance of the mounted instructor schooling jumps, there must be a responsible person over the age of 18, mounted or un-mounted, accompanying them. It is preferable to have someone carry a cell phone.
8. The top rail on Cross-Country jumps must remain in place at all times.
9. Closed jumps will be marked as such and cannot be jumped. A penalty will result, including possible lifetime ban from the Course.
NOTE: The **small water jump** is CLOSED until further notice – the bottom needs to be repaired.
10. Use of the large water jump is prohibited when the water level is low. There should be at least 4 inches (10 cm) of water (easily cover an adult's foot and horse's hoof) in the center of this jump.



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The north end of this “pond” is deeper, the south end shallower. If the bottom is exposed at the south end, the water level is likely too low.

11. Report all needed repairs to the **General Manager** or designate.

Common Etiquette:

- Please pick up poops wherever you park and along the roadway (any graveled areas).
- Please place all other garbage in appropriate bins.
- No tying of horses to jumps.

Cross-Country Course Closure Policy

1. The Cross-Country Course, or portions the Course, may be closed at the sole discretion of the Beaumont and District Agricultural Society (BADAS).
2. Closure of the Course will take place when, in the opinion of the Society:
 - a. conditions pose a potential threat to the safety of riders and/or horses;
 - b. use would cause damage to the Course;
 - c. closure of the Course is necessary to preserve ground conditions for upcoming shows or events, to allow set up of the Course for a show or event, or is a requirement of the show or event; and
 - d. where closure is deemed to be necessary due to any other circumstance.
3. In cases of Course closure, individuals or groups who have booked the use of the Course will be notified of the closure by telephone, email or text message, and notice of the course closure will be posted at the Sign-In Station.
4. Individuals or groups who make use of the Course while it is closed will be responsible for repairs or payment for all repairs that are necessary as a result of their use during closure. Other penalties, including the possibility of a lifetime ban from using the Course, will be imposed.
5. In the event that the Course is closed after payment of booking or rental fees, such fees will be refunded by BADAS to the payer of the fees.