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Is Your Carrier Legal and Why Does it Matter?

by Foothills Horse Transport

A legal "For Hire" carrier is legal to operate in Canada and the USA. The Registered Company name of the carrier you are using must be prominently displayed on both sides of the vehicles picking up your horse(s).

Carriers traveling to or from the USA must have their USDOT number displayed on all of their vehicles. A USA Motor Carrier number identifies them as an authorized "For Hire," and they have commercial insurance coverage on record with the USDOT.

Legal carriers provide you with a written Bill of Lading (a Legal Contract,) and they use logbooks or E-logs (E-Logs are mandatory in Canada.)

An illegal "Not for Hire" carrier is not legal or authorized to transport horses commercially within Canada or the USA.

These are typically easy to recognize as a pick-up truck with a gooseneck or bumper pull trailer that is unmarked or has a decal with "Private" or "Not for Hire" affixed to their truck or trailer.

These carriers do not use a Bill of



Lading, and falsely claim that their truck is a "recreational vehicle" and therefore exempt from any and all regulations. They do not report into weigh scales.

Any incidents or accidents involving an illegal carrier/hauler, during the shipment of your horse(s), could ultimately be your responsibility.

If a hauler is stopped for any traffic violation and is found to be transporting horses illegally, or if the hauler is in violation of the various highway regulations in Canada or the USA, they will be shut down by the USDOT or Canadian DOT Inspectors on the spot. This could mean that your horse will be stranded on the side of the road until other arrangements can be made.

identify if your carrier is a legal hauler and provides information on how to spot an illegal hauler. <http://nationalhorsecarriers.com>

You should ask your carrier for a few more pieces of information in order to be able to complete your due diligence and know that the company you are using is safe and certified. They should be able to provide you with their USDOT Number – legally it must be displayed on their truck, and with this you can log into the "SAFER" web site (<https://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov>) to check the safety rating of the carrier you are planning to use. You should ask for their Commercial Certificate of Insurance, as well as documentation clarifying they have Workers Compensation coverage (or a suitable equivalent depending on where you are or where they are based).

The National Horse Carriers Association (NHCA) website is a useful resource to help

SHOW SCHEDULE

- July 1-5 Tbird Langley BC
- July 8-12 Tbird Langley BC
- July 2-5 Beach Party Milner Downs BC
- July 10-12 Trillium at Caledon ON
- July 7-12 Ottawa Horse Show ON
- July 14-19 Ottawa Horse Show ON
- July 15-19 RMSJ Calgary AB
- July 19-21 River City Classic Edmonton AB
- July 22-26 RMSJ Calgary AB
- July 22-August 2 Bromont International QC
- July 25-28 Amberlea Meadows 'Jump for Hope' AB
- July 29-August 2 Caledon Toronto ON
- July 29-August 2 Heart of the Continent Winnipeg MB

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What's Been Happening

Equestrian Canada

The suspension of Equestrian Canada (EC) sanctioned competition has been extended to June 30, 2020, due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

EC Would like to share a return to business operations framework with the Canadian equestrian community in anticipation of the conclusion of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Please go to www.equestrain.ca for more details.

2020 North American Youth Championships for Dressage and Jumping Cancelled

US Equestrian, Equestrian Canada and the Mexican Equestrian Federation, in consultation with the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI), have announced the cancellation of the 2020 Adequan/FEI North American Youth Championships (NAYC) for dressage and jumping, due to the ongoing Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Spruce Meadows

With the support of its Corporate Partners Spruce Meadows has made the difficult decision to cancel the 'Masters' show jumping tournament September 9-13, 2020, following the earlier announcement to cancel the entire summer series.

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CANADIAN TRIVIA: (See back for answers)

Only three horses have ever won the Rolex Grand Prix of Spruce Meadows twice – name the one who has not accomplished that feat:

- a) Big Ben b) Hickstead c) Hello Sanctos d) Gandini Lianos

What was the name of Linda Southern-Heathcott's horse that she rode in the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games?

- a) Advantage Agfa b) Advantage Chrysler c) Fujifilm True Colours d) Advantage Fletcher Challenge

What was the most recent year that Canada won the team Gold medal for show jumping at the Pan American Games?

- a) 2019 Lima, Peru b) 2015 Toronto, Canada c) 2011 Guadalajara, Mexico d) 2007 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

What rider was the first Canadian and youngest female to win both the ASPCA Maclay Finals and the AHSA Medal Finals?

- a) Erynn Ballard b) Laura Tidball Balisky c) Gail Greenough d) Jennifer O'Neill

Next to Ian Millar's record 10 Olympic appearances, which rider has represented Canada at the Olympic Games the most times?

- a) Jim Elder b) Eric Lamaze c) James Day d) Mario Deslauriers

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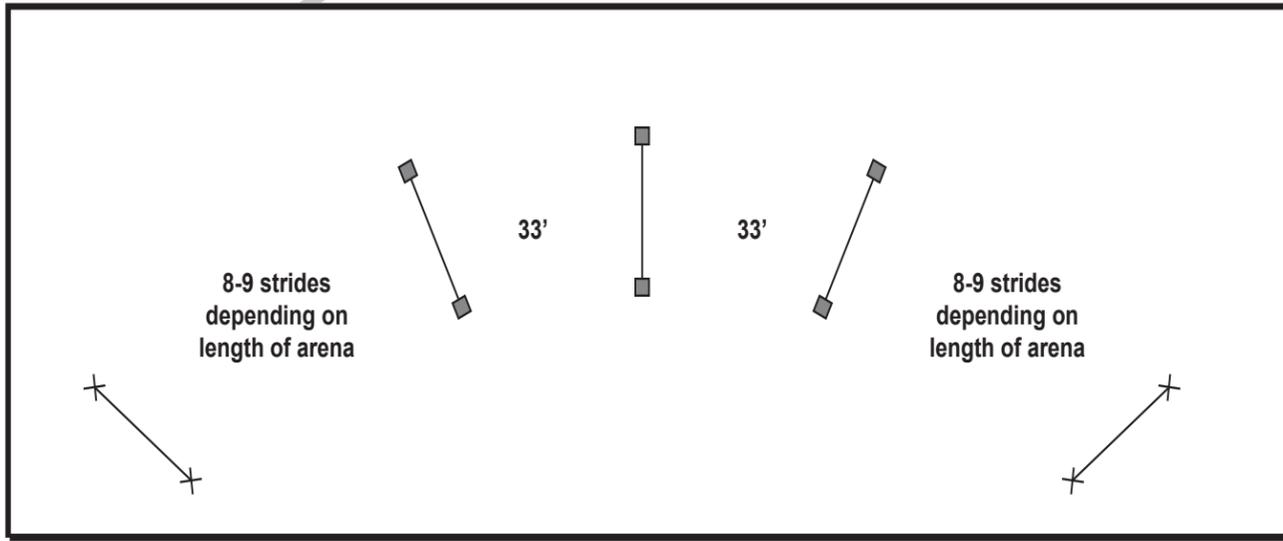
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EXERCISE FROM SOUTH OF THE BORDER

'The Everyday Exercise'

Emma Edwardson

The importance of gymnastic exercises and how they can be manipulated for each horse is a great asset to every training program. This exercise can be helpful for any rider to assess their horses rideability – for example, does their canter change, or not, throughout the exercise. Additionally, cross rails are a great

tool for reinforcing straightness, and can be used not just in gymnastic exercises, but also to complement verticals and oxers for at home training.

This exercise would preferably be set on the long side of the arena, with the cross rails in the middle set at 33' apart, and the cavaletti set just past the corners with 8 or 9 strides between them and the gymnastic (depending on arena size).

Begin by cantering the cavaletti off the rail, then turn back onto the rail and down the long side to the next cavaletti. Loosely cantering the cavaletti in a large figure eight pattern gives both the horse, and the rider's eye, a chance to warm up. Once the canter has good rhythm, proceed to the gymnastic. After jumping it a few times, with the canter being consistent throughout, add in the bending lines from the cavaletti's. As the rider begins with the cavaletti bending to the gymnastic,

then bending to the second cavaletti, they can learn a lot about their horse's stride length and rideability.

For example, a hot horse might jump the cavaletti expressively, making the gymnastic come up quickly. From here, the horse may either back off the jumps or continue through rapidly, at which point the rider might choose to opt out of the second cavaletti and halt on a straight line to correct the error.

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Canadians FEI Ranking
The Longines Rider Rankings list is released monthly from the international governing body of equine sport, the FEI. The rankings as of May 1st, 2020 are as follows:

Canada Ranking	World Ranking	Rider
1	21	Eric Lamaze
2	63	Mario Deslauriers
3	76	Tiffany Foster
4	87	Erynn Ballard
5	188	Amy Millar
6	197	Vanessa Mannix
7	244	Sam Walker
8	252	Ali Ramsay
9	281	Beth Underhill
10	342	Jim Ifko

My Working Student Experience

Emma Edwardson



winter circuit in one of the top competition programs on the east coast.

The best part of being a working student is that each day was different. I had the opportunity to be involved in every aspect of the program. Some days I flatted horses, did laundry, helped grooms wrap legs and prepared feed. Other days were at the show setting jumps, switching horses at the ring, or being the rider's assistant for the big classes. Wherever my time was spent, I was always learning. Whether it was horse care with grooms or training from the riders, everyone worked towards the same goal – producing top results at the highest level of sport.

I worked six days a week and had Sunday off so I could be at the show. If you would have told me this time last year that I would be holding HH Conrad's hind boots in the International warm-up ring while discussing the course with Ian Millar, I wouldn't have believed you! I was constantly observing and absorbing information while being surrounded by top grooms and riders. This opportunity was filled with learning every. single. day.

My favorite part of working with this program was their unwavering passion for the horse. The entire team has the best interest of the horse in mind at all times: the physical health and fitness, AND their mental wellbeing. Without them, we wouldn't be us.

I was browsing my Instagram feed in October 2019 and came across a photo posted by Double H Farm. They were accepting applications for their working student position in Wellington, Florida. I immediately sent my resume in. A couple of emails, a phone interview and several weeks later, I received the news: I was being given the opportunity to experience a new

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