

## COVID-19 Safety Plan - Corowa Saleyards

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### Attendance

- **“Stage 3”** of the Corowa Saleyards COVID-19 Staged Pathway applies.
- Only genuine registered buyers, transporters, Council staff, LLS staff, approved media reporters and MLA livestock reporter.
- Vendors with sheep booked in to be sold that day are permitted to enter the site during the sale. Only one representative from each registered PIC is permitted
- Transporters are only permitted in their designated loading and unloading lanes in the yards, including the ramps and delivery yards during the sale.
- Genuine buyers and transporters are responsible for ensuring their staff comply with this COVID-19 Safety Plan and all NSW Government requirements for COVID-19.

Further attendance at the yards is not permitted. The space available at the Corowa Saleyards is limited and overcrowding needs to be strictly monitored and addressed to ensure compliance with NSW Government COVID-19 social distancing restrictions and Public Health Order (PHO).

### Definitions:

Genuine buyers include:

- Commercial buyers;
- Non-commercial buyers and re-stockers on the list nominated by Agents with true intention to buy stock and have a registered PIC;
- Agents.

Corowa Saleyards works with selling agents to determine a list of genuine buyers. If you are a genuine buyer, you must make contact with your agent to discuss to determine your eligibility for the genuine buyer list.

### Eligibility Criteria for Entry

- Anyone that meets the following criteria can only attend the site if they are permitted under any public health order or direction by the health authority in their jurisdiction:
  - Resides in or has been in a declared COVID-19 area of concern or stay at home areas anywhere in Australia
- Proof of being eligible to leave home may be required, i.e. authorised workers permit.
- Anyone that meets the following criteria, will be excluded from the site:

- Have attended a venue of concern listed during the dates and times listed anywhere in Australia
- In the previous 72 hours have experienced COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, fatigue, shortness of breath) or have been tested and waiting the results; or
- Are feeling unwell; or
- Have been in contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 (active COVID-19 diagnosis) or a person that has been tested and waiting results in the last 14 days.
- If you are unsure of your eligibility to enter Corowa Saleyards, we encourage you to contact us in advance to discuss with us further.

### **Mandatory Check-in / QR Code**

- All persons authorised to enter must sign in using the Service NSW QR Code prior to entry.
- Proof of QR Code check-in is required – a wristband will then be issued to permit access to the yards and attend sale

### **Facemasks**

- It is mandatory that all persons attending Corowa Saleyards wear a facemask in in-door areas and in the yards during the sale

### **Physical distancing**

- Everyone must comply with NSW Government social distancing restrictions by maintaining 1.5m distance from each other while at the saleyards.
- In compliance with NSW Government social distancing requirements (4m<sup>2</sup> per person) a maximum of 6 persons are permitted in the administration office and agent room at one time.
- Line marking has been provided in laneways to remind attendees of social distancing requirements.
- Everyone should avoid shaking hands.

### **Hygiene and cleaning**

- Hand sanitiser has been provided at multiple locations throughout the saleyards.
- Everyone is encouraged to use hand sanitiser and wash their hands regularly.
- Everyone should avoid touching their face – nose, eyes and mouth.
- Everyone is encouraged to practice good cough/sneeze etiquette.
- Amenities will be supplied with soap and paper towel.
- Office buildings, amenities and canteen areas will be cleaned regularly – pre and post-sale days.

### **Canteen/Amenities**

- Proof of COVID 19 double vaccination is required to eat in at the canteen in accordance with the current PHO.
- In compliance with NSW Government social distancing requirements (4m<sup>2</sup> per person) a maximum of 10 persons are permitted in the canteen indoor dining area at one time.
- Anyone using the canteen must maintain 1.5m distance from other persons.

### **Controls during sale/auction**

- Only genuine buyers and agents are permitted to attend the sale and purchase stock.
- Genuine buyers are only allowed in the selling lane when bidding on stock.
- Other prospective buyers can compete through an accredited buyer or free of charge through their preferred agent.
- Transporters are only permitted in their designated loading and unloading lanes in the yards, including the ramps and delivery yards while stock are being sold.

### **Conditions of Entry**

- All persons authorised to enter must sign in using the Service NSW QR Code prior to entry and wear the issued wristband.
- It is mandatory that facemasks be worn in all in-door areas and whilst in the yards during the running of the sale.
- All persons must complete the Federation Council COVID-19 declaration prior to entry
- Anyone that meets the following criteria can only attend the site if they are permitted under any public health order or direction by the health authority in their jurisdiction:
  - Resides in or has been in a declared COVID-19 area of concern or stay at home anywhere in Australia
- Proof of being eligible to leave home may be required, i.e. authorised workers permit.
- Anyone that meets the following criteria, will be excluded from the site:
  - Have attended a venue of concern listed during the dates and times listed in any state in Australia
  - In the previous 72 hours have experienced COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, sore throat, fatigue, shortness of breath) or have been tested and waiting the results; or
  - Are feeling unwell; or
  - Have been in contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19 (active COVID-19 diagnosis) or a person that has been tested and waiting results in the last 14 days.
- Transporters are only permitted in their designated loading and unloading lanes at the saleyards, including the ramps and delivery yards while stock are being sold.
- Hand sanitiser will be provided at entry of the yards, office and canteen. Everyone must use the hand sanitiser regularly.
- NSW Government social distancing restrictions (1.5m distance) applies to everyone using the saleyards. Line marking and indicators have been installed at the yards.
- Personal hygiene measures are required to be followed:
  - Wash hands regularly
  - Practice good cough/sneeze etiquette
  - Use hand sanitiser
  - Avoid touching face – nose, eyes and mouth

### **Non-compliance**

Anyone not permitted on the site will be asked to leave.

Anyone not complying with these conditions will also be asked to leave. The Saleyards Manager has the right to move people on if they are not complying with this COVID-19 Safety Plan.

If a person fails to leave when directed, Council staff will contact NSW Police.

### **Record Keeping**

- Council will keep any hard copy attendance forms for a minimum of 28 days for contact tracing purposes.

### **Vaccination**

- Federation Council strongly encourages any persons associated with the Corowa Saleyards to get vaccinated. Vaccination is the most effective way to protect against COVID-19.
- Proof of COVID 19 double vaccination is required to eat in at the canteen in accordance with the current PHO.

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