

COVID-19 Safety Plan Corowa Saleyards

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Attendance

- **“Stage 1B”** of the Australian Livestock Markets Association Australian Saleyards COVID-19 Staged Pathway applies.
- Only genuine buyers, transporters, Council staff, LLS staff, approved media reporters and the MLA livestock reporter are permitted to enter the site during the sale.
- 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.

Definitions:

Genuine buyers include:

- Commercial buyers;
- Vendors;
- Agents;
- Persons with a true intention to buy stock; and
- Individuals with a registered property identification number (PIC).

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 area in NSW; or
 - Resides in or has been to a stay at home curfew area in Victoria.

- Proof of being eligible to leave home may be required, i.e. authorised workers permit (Victoria).
- 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 either NSW or Victoria;
 - 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.

COVID-19 Declaration

- All persons must complete the Federation Council COVID-19 declaration prior to entry and wear the issued wristband.
- We suggest you arrive early (before 9.45am) to complete the declaration paperwork and check-in process. The sale commences at 10am and will not be delayed.

Facemasks

- It is mandatory that all persons attending Corowa Saleyards wear a facemask at all times.

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 (4m² 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

- The canteen operator will be encouraged to serve food in single use containers and utilise disposable cutlery where possible.
- In compliance with NSW Government social distancing requirements (4m² 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

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- 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 declarations and 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.

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