

NEW!

Daily Arena Use

OPEN RIDING

Open riding is available daily and evenings in the old **Covered Arena and Warm Up Arenas**.

These arenas will be open at all times, except during events. Riders are expected to pay for open riding by using the lock-box at the old arena show office. A signed liability waiver is also required.

\$5.00 per rider

The new Mahindra Arena is available by reservation only. Please call the main office at 255-7107 for more information.

SCHEDULING OF ARENAS

Check our website for scheduled events
www.mesacounty.us/fairgrounds

Scheduled events and organized riding activities for groups are scheduled through the Fairgrounds office and take priority over individual open riding or training. To reserve a specific time, call the MCFG office, (970) 255-7107.

EQUESTRIAN PROFESSIONALS & COMMERCIAL TRAINING

Equestrian professional is defined as anyone who provides services for compensation, or who provides services under the auspices of a professional. If anyone is using the Mesa County Fairgrounds under these conditions, a professional endorsement must be signed and all qualifications must be met as specified or required.

These requirements include, but are not limited to, Mesa County insurance requirements, certifications, ownership documents, and incorporation papers. If anyone is not able to provide the appropriate documents or meet the requirements, they may not operate as a professional on the premises. Violation of this requirement may result in legal action to the full extent allowed by law.

ARENA GROOMING

Grooming of the arena is handled by Fairgrounds staff only, unless special permission has been granted. Equipment that is not owned by Mesa County shall not be used on Mesa County property without authorization from the Fairgrounds staff.

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ARENA RESERVATIONS

Great for families, groups, and trainers!

Weekday use of the NEW Mahindra arena may be scheduled in 1-hour blocks of time between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, and occasional evenings or weekends. Groups, individual riders, and trainers who wish to enjoy exclusive use of an arena are encouraged to take advantage of this feature. There is not a limit on the number of horses or riders in a group, but all riders must be part of the same group. A signed liability waiver is required for each rider.

\$20.00 per hour

10 hours for \$120 (paid/scheduled in advance)

OPEN RIDING RULES

1. Always use proper pleasure-riding etiquette and common courtesy with other riders.
2. Experienced riders must “watch out” for novice riders and children.
3. Parents/guardians must supervise children at all times.
4. Riding/behavior lessons are not allowed during open riding. Commercial trainers must contact the Fairgrounds office to schedule facility use for lessons.
5. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at any time during open riding.
6. Dogs are not allowed in the arena during open riding.
7. Horses cannot be tied to the arena railing.
8. Anyone off horseback must stay outside the arena railing.
9. Manure is not to be left in the parking lot; it should be placed in a designated manure area.
10. Stallions are prohibited in the arena during open riding.
11. Arenas are available for riding only. Horses are not to be turned loose at any time.
12. No barrels can be left in the riding arena.

HELMET POLICY

Helmet or Waiver Required for Kids

All riders age 17 and under must wear a helmet or have a waiver of liability signed by the parent or guardian. Due to the unpredictability in equine behavior, and a concern for the health and well-being of children, the Mesa County Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution MCM-2001-135 requiring the use of equine industry standard helmets. This resolution applies to individual riders and boarders, as well as all organizers, and promoters of equine events. Organizers and promoters shall assure that all participants are in compliance with this resolution. Contact the MCFG office for the Helmet Waiver of Liability.