#### a. Risk to competitors.

Equestrian sport is accepted as a high risk sport, particularly in disciplines where jumping is involved. Below is a list of many potential risks and a plan to control these risks.

Risk	Control
Competitor kicked.	<ul> <li>Encourage riders to identify known kickers by red ribbon</li> </ul>
Competitor knocked over by loose horse	<ul> <li>Use announcer to warn of loose horse, as well as stewards, or any other officials. Use signs to warn of dangers of loose horses, particularly when cross- country is running.</li> </ul>
Fall of rider from horse	<ul> <li>Encourage judges and stewards to feedback to Technical Delegates if they have any concerns about a rider's ability to participate in the competition (e.g. at an eventing competition, the riders are observed by judges during the jumping phases can stop a rider if the situation is considered dangerous</li> <li>Depending on the level of competition (e.g. FEI or National class), and area of competition in which a fall occurs (e.g. warm up area), a rider may, under the rules, be allowed to continue in the competition. Officials have the ability to prevent a rider from continuing depending on the circumstances of the fall and any perceived risk to the rider if they continue. The Blue card rule will be used</li> <li>Riders responsible for maintaining their tack in good working order</li> <li>Ensure that all jumping courses are designed by qualified Course Designers, and meet the required standard</li> <li>Ensure riders wear appropriate safety clothing (helmets to meet current standard –helmets will be RED TAGGED to show they conform)</li> <li>Ensure all officials are on the current ESNZ Officials List (ESNZ/Resources/Officials)</li> </ul>

Risk to riders from spectators, photographers, vehicles, acting in a	<ul> <li>Ensure the correct level of medical care is available at events. Have the GPS information available to medical team.</li> <li>Programmes to include The "Disclaimer of Liability"</li> <li>Speed limit for vehicles, limiting vehicles, roping off spectators, managing crossings, identifying photographers.</li> </ul>	
dangerous manner or being in an unsafe place	priotog. aprilero.	
Specific risks to competitors due to terrain, grounds, or other users etc.	<ul> <li>Information given to riders prior to the event and on notices at the event.</li> </ul>	

#### Risk to officials, spectators and volunteers

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Risk to spectators, officials	<ul> <li>Ensure the correct level of medical care is</li> </ul>
& volunteers of injuries	available. Have the GPS information
from horses and other	available to medical team.
hazards that form part of	<ul> <li>Designate some areas to be horse-free</li> </ul>
the Event.	<ul> <li>Signage to advise public to keep out of</li> </ul>
	truck park areas, yards, stables and areas
	where horses are unattended
	Rope off warm up and competition areas
	from public
	Rope off high risk areas
	<ul> <li>Use marshals in specific high risk areas</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Use announcer to warn of loose horse</li> </ul>
	Restrict vehicles on course, impose a speed
	limit on all vehicles
	<ul> <li>Programme to include information on risks</li> </ul>
	associated with the venue, the presence of
	horses, water hazards, other users, terrain
	etc.
	<ul> <li>Volunteers using quad bikes or similar to</li> </ul>
	use safety helmets
	<ul> <li>Volunteers (e.g. fence judges, show jump</li> </ul>
	crew) to be briefed re safety and potential
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dangers associated with their role

- Ensure all exits are kept free of parked vehicles
- Hygiene maintained at a high level by adequate numbers and servicing of toilets and shower areas, separate hand-washing facility in kitchen areas, providers of food on site to be approved. Rubbish bins emptied regularly as required.
- Where used, all power cords, tent pegs, guy wires are checked to ensure they are safe, secure, and out of the way in alleyways.
- Ensure any trade stands do not impose a safety threat to the public.
- Ensure any electrical equipment is checked regularly

#### b. Risk to treatment providers

# Risk to treatment providers (medical and veterinary)

- Medical vehicles to be parked in a safe position approved by the senior Technical Delegate prior to the start of the competition
- Medical personnel advised on access to various areas of the competition venue
- Veterinary personnel to be provided with appropriate facilities (e.g. horse ambulance, screens & treatment area)
- In the event of an accident, photographs by bystanders to be strongly discouraged and all but essential personnel kept back from the immediate area.

#### c. Risks to riders, spectators, officials & volunteers from natural disasters

Fire	<ul> <li>Smoke free event</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>No lighting of fires during restricted fire season</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Fire extinguishers in all occupied buildings</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Smoke alarms in buildings used for sleeping</li> </ul>

	Develop a warning and evacuation plan
	appropriate for the venue
Flood	<ul> <li>Take note of any weather warnings issued</li> </ul>
	around the time of the event
	<ul> <li>Develop a warning system and evacuation plan</li> </ul>
	appropriate to venue
Wind	<ul> <li>Take note of any weather warnings issued</li> </ul>
	around the time of the event.
	<ul> <li>Secure any items likely to be blown over by wind.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Evaluate risk of trees falling on vehicles/people and take action accordingly</li> </ul>
	Be prepared to close down the event.
	Be prepared to assist competitors with
	decisions around safety of travel.
	<ul> <li>Be prepared to use whatever facilities are</li> </ul>
	available to ensure safety of people and horses
Electrical storm	Take note of any weather warnings issued
	around the time of the event
	Be prepared to close down the event, possibly
	on a temporary basis
	<ul> <li>Ensure all volunteers, officials, spectators and</li> </ul>
	competitors take shelter as soon as possible
Earthquake	Activate the Crisis Management Team to assess
	injury
	Warn of danger from falling trees, broken
	electrical wires, falling buildings
	Encourage the use of horse trucks as shelter
	until the extent of the earthquake is known
	and safety of travel confirmed
	<ul> <li>Use whatever facilities are available to support all people at the venue</li> </ul>
	Have access to non power dependent radio for
	updates
Sun burn	Riders responsible for own use of sunscreen.
	Sunscreen made available to volunteers.

#### 1. Serious Incident/Accident Report

First Name		Surname	
	Nationality		
		Phone #	
Support person at event		Phone #	
2. Horse fatality/serious injury			
		Gelding/Mare/Stallion	
Owner			
3. Medical Information			
Doctor Attending Name		Phone #	
Veterinarian attending N	ame	Phone #	
1. Facts of incident			
Date occurred		Time of day	
Fence # &/or area			
5. Injuries			
Rider			
Member of public			
Horse			

- 6. Have witness statements been taken? Yes/No
- 7. How had this fence been ridden up until the incident?

9. Outcome?	_
Any breach of safety observed?	-
Possible fault?	_
Cause?	
8. Other observations – not for media publication	
How many first-timers had completed the course prior to the incident?	
How many riders in this class completed the course?	
Had this rider cleared this fence on an earlier horse?	
How many horses had cleared the fence prior to the incident?	

#### 2. Incident Report Form

Date of Event:

Venue of Event:				
Organising Committee				
Number of Competitors:				
Location of incident (e.g. wa	rm up area, cross country jun	np, truck park):		
Incident involved competitor	r, official, volunteer, spectato	r:		
Number of people impacted	by incident (e.g. a single ride	r, or a crowd of spectat	cors):	
Reason for Incident (e.g. fall	of rider, person kicked by ho	rse, loose horse, weath	er, vehicle etc.)	
Incident Type: Injury	Non Injury			
Type of injury: Serious injury	Moderate Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	
Action at time of Incident:				
Prevention Plan:				

#### **Register of Accidents**

Name of Organising Committee: Opotiki Pony Club

Date	Venue	Location of Accident	Type of Accident	Name of Injured Person/Horse	Medical/Veterinary Attention Required?	Notes
30 April 2012	McLean's Island, NEC	Cross Country fence 15, roll top into water	Fall of rider from horse	Sally Slippery	Checked by St John's - OK	

# WARNING: EQUESTRIAN EVENT/COMPETITION Multiple Hazard Area – Proceed with Care

This event is run under ESNZ & NZPC Rules

- Please adhere to this and all other notices at this venue
- Follow instructions of all Officials and Event Committee
- Children must be supervised and restrained as appropriate
- All photographers to report to Secretaries Office
- Be aware of water and other natural hazards
- Keep a safe distance from horses and be aware there may be loose horses
- Keep behind tape and barriers where they are erected
- · A Risk management Plan is available at the office

#### **NEW IDENTIFIED RISKS INCLUDE**

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