

Pull out your current policy and check the box next to any coverage you can confirm is already in place — anything unchecked is worth a quick conversation with your advisor. Coverage checklist for boarding stables, lesson and training barns, trail-ride operations, and equestrian centers. Priorities reflect typical exposure for this class; confirm against the facility's actual services and horses in care.

CORE

PREVALENT

SITUATIONAL

— Core: almost always needed · Prevalent: commonly carried by businesses in this class · Situational: depends on specific exposure

COVERAGE	WHY THIS BUSINESS NEEDS IT	PRIORITY
☐ Commercial Equine Liability	Covers rider, visitor, and participant injuries. State immunity laws help only if their conditions are met.	CORE
☐ Care, Custody & Control (Horses of Others)	Covers boarded and training horses that are injured, die, or escape in your care — GL excludes them.	CORE
☐ Barn & Farm Property	Covers barns, arenas, fencing, hay, and equipment; confirm hay and contents are included.	CORE
☐ Equine Mortality (Owned Horses)	Covers death of the applicant's own lesson, trail, and sale horses.	PREVALENT
☐ Farm Equipment / Inland Marine	Covers tractors, mowers, trailers, and tack.	PREVALENT
☐ Commercial Auto (incl. Trailers)	Covers trucks and trailers, especially when hauling others' horses.	SITUATIONAL
☐ Workers' Compensation	Covers kicks, falls, and handling injuries; farm labor exemptions vary by state.	SITUATIONAL
☐ Event Liability	Needed for shows, clinics, and competitions open to the public.	SITUATIONAL
☐ Abuse & Molestation	Relevant for camps and lesson programs with minors.	SITUATIONAL
☐ Umbrella / Excess Liability	Adds limits for serious rider injuries or horse-vehicle collisions.	PREVALENT

COMMON COVERAGE GAP FOR THIS CLASS

The most commonly missed coverage for this class is care, custody and control for boarded horses. General liability excludes property in your care, and a boarded horse can be worth far more than the barn it lives in — a colic death, a pasture injury, or an escape onto a road can produce a large claim from the owner. The second gap is relying on state equine liability laws alone: those laws usually do not protect a facility that provided faulty tack, mismatched a rider and horse, or failed to post required warning signs. Barn fire, often from wet hay, is the catastrophe exposure and makes current building and contents values essential.

IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

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