

It is with regret, that we must communicate to you that there has been a significant change to the terms of our contract with the City of Ottawa, for use of the Nepean National Equestrian Park (NNEP) for both the Ontario Regional and National Championships.

Late last week, we were informed that RVs will no longer be allowed on site at the NNEP nor would people be able to stay overnight, in any tent or vehicle, on the site. As a result of this change, we have several pieces of information to pass on to you:

1. RV campers: Please be advised that your reservations will be transferred to the Ottawa Municipal Campground (<http://www.ottawacampground.ca/>). On a positive note, for those who had requested 30 AMP service, the Municipal Campground features both 15 and 30 AMP serviced sites. As the logistics of transferring your reservations are still being worked out, please be patient; be assured that Josee will be in touch with each of you individually, as soon as possible, regarding the changes.
2. Shade tents will now be allowed to be set up on the three 'loops' where the RVs were going to be. These spots will be available on a first-come, first-served basis; please see the map on our website for the specific location. (<http://www.acontarioregionals.com/venue.html>) Electrical service will not be available in this area; the electrical lines will be marked on the ground to facilitate safe pegging of your shade tents, which will not be allowed to be staked within 3 feet of the electrical lines.
3. Shade tents will not be allowed in the 'Eastern pasture', as was previously communicated. The pasture will only be used for parking.
4. Crating in the large crating tents will still be available, and at no cost, but with the addition of a significant area for shade tents, we will be reworking the plan and logistics for this area. Please keep your eye out for further communication from us on this matter.

In closing, we apologize again for this significant change mid-way through our preparations. We are working hard to ensure this is least disruptive as possible and will be providing additional information on this as we progress. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this time.

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