

Equi-First Aid South Carolina

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Equi-First Aid South Carolina offers Veterinarian designed, hands-on, fun, and supportive training. We strive to expand the knowledge and confidence level of all horse owners in the area of equine health care and emergency response, as well as disaster planning and safe trailering practices. We do this to improve the lives of horses and increase the equine survival rate in an emergency.

Please note that our courses are NOT designed to replace Veterinarian care but should be used in conjunction with your Veterinarian to stabilize your horse(s) until the veterinarian can get to you.*

Equi-First Aid is an affiliate of Equi-First Aid USA, Equi-First Aid USA began in 2007, a group of veterinarians and horse professionals identified the need for horse owners to have the same “First-responder skills” for their animals as humans have for each other through red cross training. We provide veterinarian-designed and monitored courses. Our courses are not designed to replace the veterinarian but to teach you how to stabilize your horse until a veterinarian can get to you if needed. Our courses are recognized for the continuing education credits with the international Association of animal behavior consultants, EAGALA, various state associations of veterinary technicians and more.

Full Day Courses

Equine health and emergency first aid covers what your vet needs to know when you call, taking proper vital signs, dealing with lacerations, punctures, colic, choke, collapse, casting, shock, hoof issues, recognizing pain in the horse, sources of pain, spinal health, injury prevention and more. \$169

Advanced equine emergency first aid is a highly advanced equine emergency first aid course for extreme situations. This course covers everything from assessing the situation, trapped horses, poison, burns, bites, hypo/hyperthermia, tie ups, fractures, sicking chest

wounds and more. This will prepare you to handle the most serious injuries where without human intervention the horse will not survive. \$169

Advanced wilderness equine emergency first aid is a highly advanced equine emergency first aid course for extreme situations while in the adventurous outdoors. This course with a camping component covers everything from assessing the situation, trapped horses, poison, burns, bites, hypo/hyperthermia, tie ups, fractures, sicking chest wounds and more. This will prepare you to handle the most serious injuries where without human intervention the horse will not survive. \$169

Disaster planning and emergency preparedness is a must for any livestock owner. This course will train you in fire prevention, planning for and executing safe evacuation procedures, hidden dangers and responding to first aid emergencies. You will learn what to do during a natural disaster such as flooding, wildfires, ice storms, hurricanes, tornadoes and more. This course is suitable for all livestock, not just horses. \$169

Safe Trailering Practices will teach you how to keep your horse as safe as possible and who to contact in the unthinkable. This course will help you learn if your trailer is safe, what your horse experiences during a collision, what protocols are involved in an accident and the laws around hauling. Learn if the size and layout of your trailer provides your horse comfort and stability or if it is putting strain on their body, leading to potential injuries. \$169

Livestock handling and safety for first responders will help those that have never been exposed to horses and livestock learn to work and deal with them in fires, accidents, natural disasters, escapes and more. You will learn how to keep yourself and the public safe while having the knowledge and confidence to work with all types of livestock and horses. \$169

Half Day Courses

First Aid Fundamentals is a half day fast paced clinic covering the fundamentals of first aid. You will learn how to take vital signs, recognize pain in a horse, detect colic and participate in bandaging scenarios. \$99

Horseman's Backcountry Guide to First Aid is a condensed version of wilderness first aid in a half day course where you will learn how to plan, prepare and react to emergencies throughout the backcountry. Learn about communications, packing, injury, illness and must know before heading out into the wilderness. \$99

Essentials in Emergency Preparedness is a half day course that covers disasters, alert types, mapping out your property, essentials for your “Go bag”, nose to tail assessments, identifying shock and what to have on hand for your shelter in place. \$69

I Can Help! Horse Safety and First Aid for Kids is a half day course where children can learn horse safety and basic first aid in a fun, hands-on environment. Learn recipes for horse cookies and more. (age 5-9) \$69

The Certified Safe Barn Program is designed so you can show your borders, community, event participants and horse hotel guests that you and your staff have the training needed to help make a better and safer barn. When you host the Equine Health and Emergency First Aid, Advanced Equine First Aid and Disaster Planning and Emergency Preparedness courses you will receive a Certified Sage Barn Certificate for Equi-First Aid USA.

The owner of Equi-First Aid South Carolina had to undergo intensive training, testing and adhere to a high standard as an affiliate for Equi-First Aid USA. She keeps up with ongoing updates and methodology as presented by veterinarians and advisory boards. She follows a strict code of ethics and holds a current teaching liability insurance.