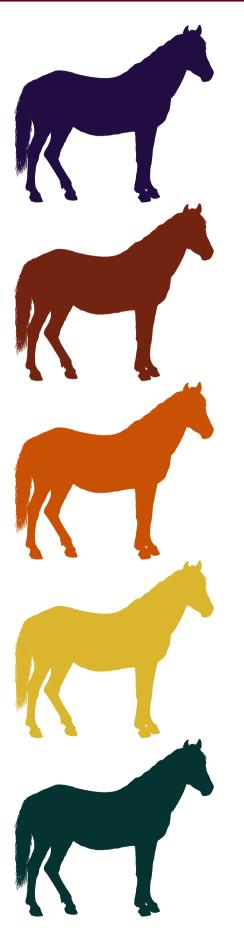
# **AQI Activity Chart**



Stall Rest.

Time to dismount, avoid aerobic work.

Whoa! Reduce/limit aerobic activity to an easy trot and walk.

Go for it, unless your horse has pre-existing conditions.

Ride On.



## GREEN DAY IN THE BAY AQI: 0-50

## RIDE ON! Air pollution poses little to no risk



## YELLOW DAY IN THE BAY AQI: 51-100

GO FOR IT! Unless your horse has a pre-existing condition such as heaves, allergies, or heart disease. In those horses, groundwork only.



## ORANGE DAY IN THE BAY AQI: 101-150

#### WHOA!

Limit aerobic activity to an easy trot and walk. Decreased intensity is important to ensure particulate matter is not getting deep into the lungs

**Exercises at the Walk:** 

- Uneven cavalettis
- Pole bending
- ☑ Walking with TheraBand

**In-hand Exercises :** 

- ✓ Walk/halt transitions
- ✓ Walk/trot transitions
- Backing up on flat ground



## RED DAY IN THE BAY AQI: 151-200

#### **DISMOUNT!**

This air is getting unhealthy for all horses and people. Avoid intense/aerobic work.

Use ground exercises to build strength while minimizing exertion (see our YouTube channel for "How-To" videos):

- ☑ Lateral tail pulls (10 second hold, 5 times per side)
- Hindlimb mobility (protraction, retraction, whole limb flexion, 3-6 seconds each)
- Front limb circles (10 times each direction, per side)
- Hind limb leans (5 times per side)
- Pelvic tucks (3 sets of 10)
- Sternal lifts (3 sets of 10)



# PURPLE DAY IN THE BAY AQI: 201+

### STALL REST! Limit to essential activities.

