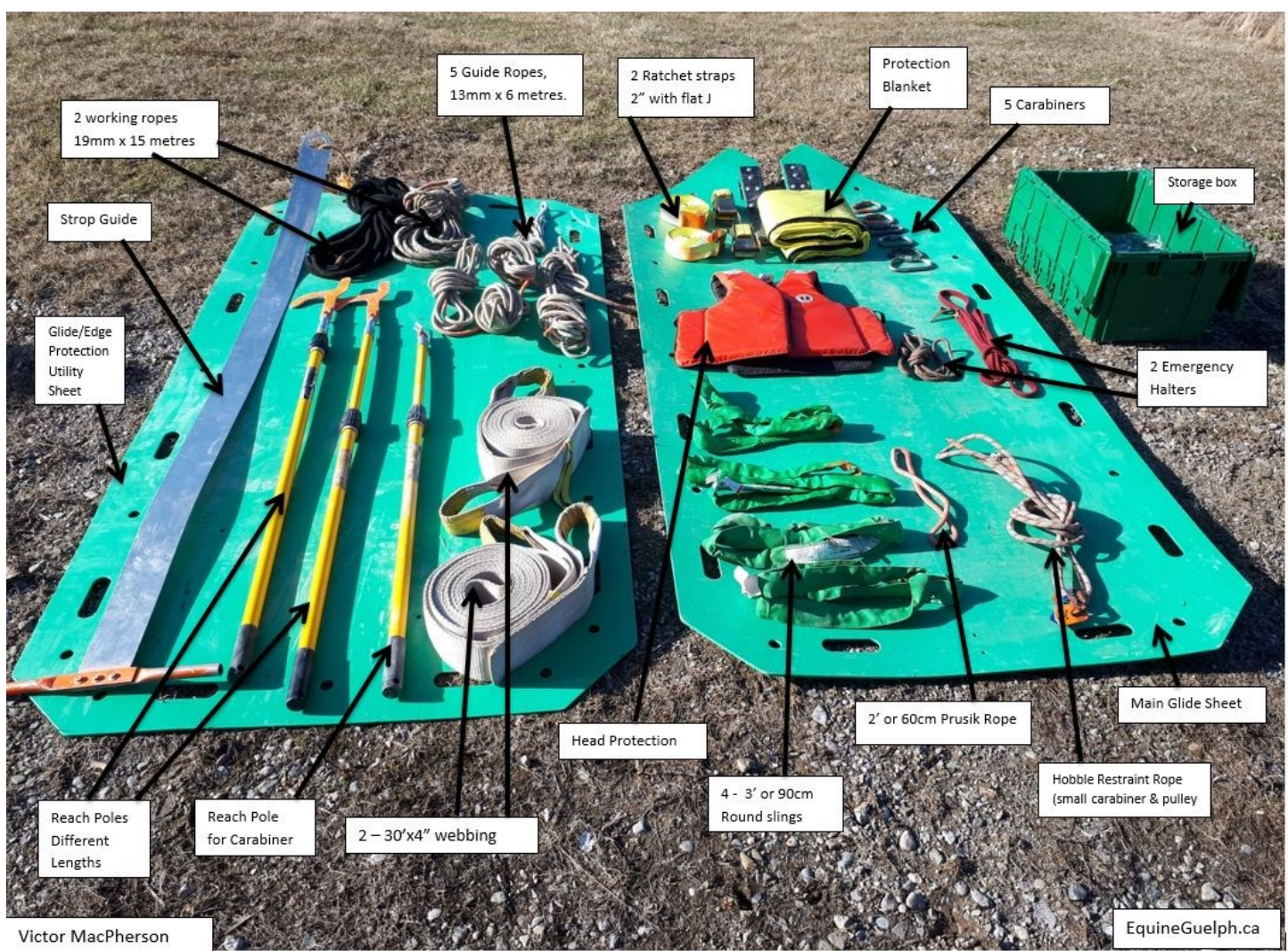


Large Animal Rescue Training Reference Sheet

# Introduction

In today's society, responding to incidents involving animals is both an expectation and an acknowledgement that such incidents will likely involve people putting themselves and others at risk of injury. Through proper training of best practices and the use of specialized rescue equipment the odds of a favourable outcome for both animals and responders is improved. This reference sheet has been developed as a quick reference tool for the various manipulation techniques used in Large Animal Rescue. The techniques reflected in the reference sheet should not be attempted without appropriate training.

# Equipment Summary

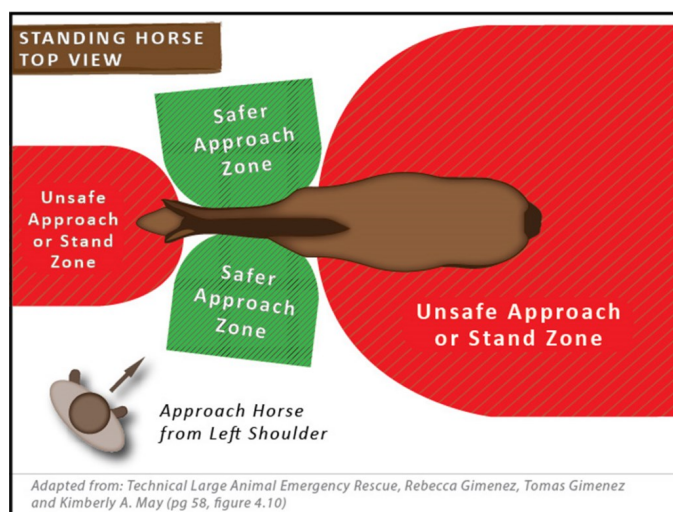


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## Reminders:

### Action at Scene

- establish scene safety
- establish incident command and operate under the Incident Management System (IMS) framework
- establish an Incident Action Plan
- acquire rescue equipment and human resources (i.e. may need a veterinarian on scene or an individual with specific livestock expertise)
- establish containment facilities



## Animal Safety

- Heads, tails and limbs are not handles – DO NOT use them for pulling (serious injury and potentially life threatening injury can result)
- Always protect the animal's eyes
- Establish and maintain head control at all times.
- Allow a rescued animal the time they need to stand if they have been rescued from a downed position. DO NOT force them to stand and move.
- Some animals may need sedation prior to performing the rescue to reduce the risk of injury to the animal and responders

## Resources

- Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue Inc. ([tlaer.org](http://tlaer.org))
- British Animal Rescue and Trauma Care Association ([bartacic.org](http://bartacic.org))
- College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Florida ([Large Animal Rescue Training](http://LargeAnimalRescueTraining))

## Local Resources:

Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_ Equine: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Livestock: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Poultry: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mutual Aid Department(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Livestock Hauler(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Heavy Tow Operator(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Heavy Machinery Operator(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fencing Supply Company: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Livestock Specialist(s)(i.e., local producer): \_\_\_\_\_

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