



**To:** All Horsemen  
**From:** Matthew Ennis, Senior Director of Operations  
Allan Plever, Racing Secretary  
William Farmer DVM, CDI Equine Medical Director

**Re:** 2026 Requirements for entry of horses into stable areas

In an effort to control the spread of communicable equine diseases, the following conditions must be met before any horse will be permitted to enter the Presque Isle Downs stable area:

All horses, including lead ponies, seeking entrance to the stable area shall be accompanied by a current negative EIA Test (aka Coggins) dated within 12 months and listed on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) with the examination and issuance of the certificate being signed and dated by a licensed veterinarian **within five (5) days prior to arrival.**

#### **Vaccination Requirements**

Each horse entering the backside must be vaccinated against Equine Herpes Virus Type 1 (EHV-1) by, or under supervision of, a licensed veterinarian a minimum of **14 days and no more than 180 days prior** to entering the stable area. Once a horse receives the initial EHV-1 vaccination, revaccination should occur every 180 days. Please note the minimum 14-day requirement applies only to horses that have not been vaccinated for EHV-1 during the preceding 180 days.

Additionally, **HISA Regulation 2143** has established requirements for mandatory tests and vaccines necessary to both enter the backside and race. In order to be eligible to race under HISA regulations, these requirements must be met. To ensure your horse can race, please make sure your horse has the following vaccines and tests up-to-date:

- Negative Coggins Test (within prior 12 months)
- Encephalitides (Eastern, Western, and West Nile) Vaccine (within prior 12 months)
- Rabies Vaccine (within prior 12 months)
- Tetanus Vaccine (within prior 12 months)
- Influenza Vaccine (within prior 180 days or sooner)
- Rhinopneumonitis Vaccine (within prior 180 days or sooner)

Equine Herpes and Strangles are contagious equine diseases that continue to be a concern in the United States. The foregoing requirements have been established to safeguard all horses stabled, training, and racing at Presque Isle Downs.

In addition to the requirements stated above, Presque Isle Downs asks that horsemen maintain a temperature chart on each horse and that they report immediately to their veterinarian and track officials any temperature 1.5 degrees above the animal's normal at-rest temperature.

Health Requirements for horses entering the grounds are subject to change without advance notice. Presque Isle Downs reserves the right to request proof of vaccination records.

Your ongoing cooperation is appreciated.

Trainer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_