The Required Tests and Vaccines:

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The January 1, 2023, deadline to have all your required vaccines and tests recorded on the HISA portal is fast approaching. On this date, HISA will start enforcing this regulation, preventing your horse from racing if these vaccines and tests are A) not listed on the Horse's Health records or B) not up to date, as required by HISA rule 2143.

The Required Tests and Vaccines:

- Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Certificate)
- Coggins Test
- Encephalitides Vaccine
- Rabies Vaccine
- Tetanus Vaccine
- Influenza Vaccine
- Rhinopneumonitis Vaccine

Exception

The health certificate requirement shall not be enforced by HISA for Horses, including stable ponies, that enter Racetrack grounds directly from one of the following facilities, if located in the same state:

- 1) a licensed training facility,
- 2) a Racetrack, or
- 3) an equine facility designated by a Racetrack whose biosecurity protocols are reasonably consistent with those of the Racetrack, and from which the Racetrack will accept horses onto its grounds without a 5-day health certificate.

Regulations for Each Test and Vaccine

HISA Rule 2143 establishes the requirements for each test and vaccine. In order to race, these requirements must be met. To ensure your horse can race, make sure your horse's negative Coggins test and necessary vaccines are up to date, as required by HISA Rule 2143.

HISA Required Test/Vaccine	Requirements to Race
Certificate of Veterinary Inspection	5 Days or Less Prior to Entry onto the racetrack
Coggins Test	Negative test within the prior 12 months
Encephalitides Vaccine	Within the prior 12 months
Rabies Vaccine	Within the prior 12 months
Tetanus Vaccine	Within the prior 12 months
Influenza Vaccine	Within the prior 180 days or sooner if high risk situations dictate
Rhinopneumonitis Vaccine	Within the prior 180 days or sooner if high risk situations dictate

Why Does this Matter?

HISA is requiring that horses entering the grounds of a racetrack have updated vaccinations and tests to enhance the health and welfare of all horses on the grounds of a racetrack.

If you are unsure of how to enter these required health records into the HISA database via the online portal, HISA has produced several guides to help you. There are visual how-to guides as well as videos.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the Help Desk at 1-877-513-2919.