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## IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE TO THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO HORSERACING INDUSTRY REGARDING EIA

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Due to the unfortunate and troubling increased instances of the viral Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) disease being diagnosed in racehorses, the State of New Mexico Racing Commission (NMRC) announce the following:

Effective Wednesday October 1, 2025, it is mandatory that all horses racing under the authority of the New Mexico Racing Commission must have on file, proof of a negative coggins test drawn within the previous 6 months. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Pursuant to NMAC 15.2.5.12 B. (12). Your horse will be unable to start in any race without the required negative coggins report. This mandate is in conjunction with the 60 day negative coggins report required to gain entry onto the grounds of all New Mexico racetracks.

These procedures are necessary to protect the health and safety of the equine athletes which are the foundation of New Mexico's horseracing industry. The NMRC thanks its licensees for taking this matter seriously and for their cooperation and compliance.

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