

# 2017 Prairie Meadows Quarter Horse Racing Season Equine Testing Requirements – Effective March 31, 2017

## PIROPLASMOSIS / COGGINS TEST / HEALTH CERTIFICATE / EHV-1 VACCINATION

All Quarter Horses and any pony horse, other than a Thoroughbred pony, must have proof of a negative test for Theileria Equi (Piroplasmosis). The test must have been performed within the past 365 days and include the tattoo number of the horse or an accurate description. A copy of the original test is acceptable. **This requirement is for all Quarter Horses entering Prairie Meadows racetrack and includes any pony horse, other than a Thoroughbred pony.** It is suggested that a copy of the test be attached to the foal papers in a manner similar to coggins tests.

A current, negative coggins test is required of all horses, including ponies arriving at Prairie Meadows. Quarter horses and any pony horse, other than a Thoroughbred pony, are also required to have a negative test for Theileria Equi (Piroplasmosis). The test certificates or copy thereof must be attached to the horse's foal papers and be filed in the Racing Office. All coggins and piroplasmosis tests must be dated within twelve (12) months.

All horses, including ponies, shipping to Prairie Meadows must be accompanied by a valid health certificate issued within 7 days prior to arrival at the track, which shows the vaccination record for each horse. The horse must have been vaccinated with an FDA approved modified live or killed virus vaccine for EHV-1 not less than 10 days and not more than 60 days prior to date of entry and the veterinarian must provide the date of vaccination. A current, negative coggins test dated within twelve (12) months must also accompany the health certificate.

Said documents must be presented at the stable gate upon arrival or horses will not be permitted to enter the stable area. Any questions regarding these requirements should be directed to either your practicing veterinarian or the Iowa Racing & Gaming Commission State Vet's Office.

## 2017 PRAIRIE MEADOWS RACETRACK POLICY REGARDING EHV-1 EQUINE HERPESVIRUS

Due to the serious nature of recent outbreaks of the neurologic strain of Equine Herpesvirus (EHV-1) at various racetracks and facilities in the United States, Prairie Meadows Racetrack has adopted the following policy with advice from Iowa Racing & Gaming Commission State Veterinarians, the Iowa Department of Agriculture State Veterinarian, and the Iowa Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association. This policy has been developed in order to safeguard the welfare of horses participating at Prairie Meadows Racetrack in Altoona, Iowa. *Please note that this policy is subject to change in the future based on equine health conditions and environments both locally and regionally that could affect the horse population participating at Prairie Meadows Racetrack in Altoona, Iowa.*

### ATTENTION HORSEMEN:

1. The following documentation must be provided for every horse (**including pony horses**) at the stable gate before they will be permitted to enter the barn area of Prairie Meadows Racetrack.
  - a. A current health certificate issued within **7 days prior to arrival** at the track, which shows the vaccination record for each horse. The horse must have been vaccinated with an FDA approved modified live or killed virus vaccine for EHV-1 **not less than 10 days and not more than 60 days prior to date of entry**. The veterinarian must provide the date of vaccination on the health certificate.
2. It is **recommended** that horsemen keep every horse admitted to or in the barn area of Prairie Meadows Racetrack on a current 90-day FDA approved EHV-1 vaccine or EHV-1 booster schedule.

All trainers and horse haulers are **strongly urged** to take extreme caution when transporting horses to properly disinfect and sanitize their trailers. Compliance with this policy will be paramount in helping to protect the health and welfare of the equine population stabled at Prairie Meadows.

Any questions regarding this policy please contact:  
Prairie Meadows Racing Office (515) 967-1205  
Iowa Racing & Gaming Commission State Vet (515) 240-8731