

## GMHA EQUINE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

Horses brought onto GMHA grounds must comply with health regulations established by the **State of Vermont** and enforced by the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. In addition, some competitions, clinics, or activities may be governed by external organizations and additional health requirements may apply. **GMHA reserves the right to:**

- Restrict access to the grounds
- Require veterinary documentation
- Take precautionary measures to prevent disease transmission

### GMHA Requires:

- **Current Negative Coggins test (EIA) within one year of event dates**
- **Current Proof of rabies vaccination (titer results accepted with vet note) within one year of event dates**
- **Current Proof of Equine Influenza (flu) vaccination **within six months of event dates****
- **Current Proof of Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis EHV-1 & EHV-4) vaccination **within six months of event dates****

### The State of Vermont Requires:

- **A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)**, issued within 30 days by your veterinarian prior to entry into Vermont
  - **GMHA does not require this document with entry, but the VT Agency of Agriculture and Transportation may enforce these regulations at any time.**

### Governing Body Requirements:

Certain events or activities at GMHA may be held under the rules of recognized equestrian governing bodies, including but not limited to the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) or American Driving Society (ADS), among others.

- Participants are responsible for complying with any additional health, vaccination, or documentation requirements set by the governing organization.
- Governing body requirements may be more restrictive than GMHA and State of Vermont minimums.
- In addition to the requirements set forth by GMHA above, if competing at a sanctioned event at GMHA, please provide proof of the following **within six (6) months of event dates:**
  - **Proof Equine Influenza Virus vaccination (Flu)**
  - **Proof of Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis EHV-1 & EHV-4)**

### Strangles & Communicable Disease Policy:

To protect the health of all horses on the grounds, GMHA enforces the following policy in accordance with State of Vermont animal health guidance.

- Horses **showing symptoms of strangles (S Equi) or other communicable disease** are not permitted on GMHA grounds
- Horses **known to have been exposed** to strangles or other contagious disease must not attend GMHA events or use facilities

### **We need your help to keep GMHA strangles, Flu & EHV free!**

Using the guidelines outlined above, we ask that you not bring your horse to GMHA if –

- It has a temperature above normal (normal range is 99.5 – 101.5)
- It has been in contact with an infected horse in the past 14 days
- It has been stabled at a property that has been under a voluntary or mandated quarantine until the quarantine is lifted and the infected horse(s) has had three negative nasopharyngeal swabs

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**Thank you for your cooperation and efforts to keep strangles, flu, and EHV from spreading.**

Additional information is available from:

- Vermont Agency of Agriculture – Animal Health  
<https://agriculture.vermont.gov/animal-health> & <https://agriculture.vermont.gov/animal-health/import-requirements>