

HITS EQUINE HEALTH ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Protecting the health of your horse and other horses is of the utmost importance to HITS. Beginning in 2013, HITS implemented Required Biosecurity Measures to decrease the risk of introduction and/ or spread of contagious or infectious disease at its shows.

Horses must arrive only between the hours of 8am and 5pm daily. Off-hours arrivals must obtain permission from Show Management.

ALL HORSES MUST HAVE/PROVIDE:

NEGATIVE COGGINS DATED WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS

Valid within (365 days) of the ending date of each show. This includes horses that originate from the state where the event is being held. All horses entering the Show Grounds must have a Negative Coggins on file. Coggins must reflect the horse's SHOW NAME.

PROOF OF VACCINATION

Via a signed statement from the attending veterinarian that the horse has been vaccinated against the following:

Within 6 months (180 days) of each show: Equine Influenza

Within 6 months (180 days) of each show: EHV 1 and EHV 4

If a vaccination will expire during one of the shows, the horse must receive its new vaccination prior to being issued a competition number for that show.

HEALTH CERTIFICATE/CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (Vermont & Virginia ONLY)

The Vermont Agency of Agriculture and Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services require each horse originating from out of state to have a valid Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (Health Certificate) dated within 30 days of entry into Vermont or Virginia. For Vermont ONLY the following address must be listed as the Premises of Destination: Vermont Summer Festival, 3028 Route 7, East Dorset, VT 05253.

PRESENTATION OF HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

The Equine Health Requirements are Required for all horses entering the Show Grounds both Showing and Non-Showing. These documents must be filed in the Show Office **before any competition numbers will be issued.** In addition, random checks for Equine Health Requirements will occur. Be sure to keep a copy of all of your horse's Equine Health Requirements in an easily accessible spot (in your tack room or tack trunk, truck or trailer) to ensure you can comply with this requirement. The results on all required papers must indicate the horse's registered (show) name.

Any horse not accompanied by these documents will be directed to the Show Veterinarian to obtain the required documents and/or vaccinations, and/or will be placed in quarantined stabling until the proper documents are obtained. Any horse showing signs of fever/illness/stress is subject to examination by HITS Officials and/or the Show Veterinarian, who may at their sole discretion, place the horse in quarantined stabling or take further action if deemed necessary.

Health Documentation: All ship-ins/day trippers (showing or non-showing) must file the proper Health Requirements in the show office and must be prepared to present those health records at any time while on the Showgrounds. Ship-ins/day trippers will be subject to random checks by HITS Staff and the Department of Agriculture. Keep a copy of all of your horse's records in your truck or trailer to ensure you can comply with this requirement. If proper records are not immediately available, the horse(s) a.) must remain under HITS Staff observation until the paperwork is presented, or b.) will be asked to leave the grounds.