



Vaccination Guidelines

Updated February 22, 2011

Pleasure and Performance Horses

Vaccine <small>All vaccines are given intramuscularly unless otherwise indicated</small>	Pleasure Horses	Performance Horses	Comments
Tetanus Toxoid	Annual unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	If Annual unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	Re-vaccinate after penetrating wound or surgery if last dose was greater than 6 months
Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis	Annual in Spring unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	If Annual in Spring unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	
West Nile Virus	Annual in Spring unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	If Annual in Spring unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	May consider booster in Fall if risk of infection is high
Equine Herpes Virus 1 and 4	Biannual in Spring and Fall unknown history, give a series of three 4-6 weeks apart	If Give every 90 days if at risk unknown history, give a series of three 4-6 weeks apart	
Equine Influenza Virus	Biannual in Spring and Fall unknown history, give a series of three 4-6 weeks apart	If Biannual in Spring and Fall unknown history, give a series of three 4-6 weeks apart	
Rabies	Annual unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	If Annual unknown history, give a single dose and booster in 4 weeks	
Equine Viral Arteritis (breeding stallions only)	Annual ~4 weeks prior to breeding season	Give Annual ~4 weeks prior to breeding season	Stallions must be confirmed seronegative prior to vaccination
Streptococcus equi ssp. Equi (Strangles)	*Vaccinate every 6-12 months	*Vaccinate every 6-12 months	*Vaccination should be based on risk-assessment and consultation with your veterinarian

Vaccine guidelines are in accordance with the recommendations of the AAEP.

Examples of Combination Vaccines/Recommendations

- Three (3) Way Vaccine = Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis plus Tetanus toxoid
- Four (4) Way Vaccine = Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis, Tetanus toxoid, and Influenza virus
- Five (5) Way Vaccine = Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis, Tetanus toxoid, Influenza virus, and Rhino
- Five (5) Way plus West Nile vaccine = as above plus West Nile Virus
- Flu/Rino Vaccine = Influenza virus plus Rhino (EHV-1)
- "Foal Four Way" Vaccine = Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis, Tetanus toxoid, and EHV-1
- Use approved killed vaccines for pregnant mares

Please note that these guidelines are intended as a starting point for appropriate vaccination and enlisting your veterinarian's help when formulating your program is essential for a safe and effective protocol.

FLIP PAGE FOR FOALS, YEARLINGS, AND BREEDING HORSE RECOMMENDATIONS