

GOOD START EQUINE WELLNESS CERTIFICATE

Horse Name: _____

Registration Number: _____ Year Foaled: _____

Color/Markings: _____

Mare Gelding Stallion

WELLNESS EXAM

Date: _____

Veterinarian Name: _____

Veterinarian Phone Number: _____

Veterinarian Notes: _____

VACCINATION RECORD

All horses should receive annual vaccination against the **core equine diseases** and additional **risk-based vaccinations** should be considered based on risk of exposure and geographic disease threats.

Notes: _____

	Disease	Date Administered	Product Name	Product Serial / Lot Number	Administered By
CORE EQUINE DISEASES	Rabies				
	West Nile				
	Tetanus				
	Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis				
	Western Equine Encephalomyelitis				
RISK-BASED EQUINE DISEASES	Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis				
	Equine Influenza				
	Equine Herpesvirus / Rhinopneumonitis				
	Strangles				
	Leptospirosis				
	Potomac Horse Fever				
	Rotavirus				
	[Disease Name]				
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EQUINE DISEASE OVERVIEW

The American Association of Equine Practitioners, the leading group of equine veterinarians, breaks equine vaccinations into two categories: core and risk-based. Core vaccinations are those that every horse should receive at least annually. Risk-based vaccinations are recommended for horses with individual risk profiles, depending on age, geography, housing or role.¹

Core Equine Vaccinations¹

Annual vaccination against the following diseases is strongly recommended for all horses:

- **Rabies** is caused by a virus in the saliva of infected animals, usually transmitted through a bite. The virus travels up the nerves to the brain, where the disease progresses rapidly and is always fatal in horses. Rabies can be transmitted from horses to humans.
- **West Nile** is a viral disease that causes inflammation of the central nervous system. Transmitted by mosquitoes, the infection can lead to fever, lethargy, weakness, blindness, tremors, difficulty walking, seizures and death.
- **Tetanus** is a potentially fatal disease caused by bacteria found in the intestinal tract and feces of horses and other animals, and it is abundant in the soil. Horses can become infected through puncture wounds, open lacerations and exposed tissues.
- **Eastern and Western equine encephalomyelitis** are viral diseases that attack your horse's nervous system. Spread by mosquitoes, the infection may lead to fever, depression, head pressing, teeth grinding, circling, blindness, seizures and death.

Risk-Based Equine Vaccinations¹

Vaccination against the following diseases is recommended for horses with risk factors dependent on age, geography, housing or role. Commonly seen risk-based diseases include:

- **Equine influenza** is caused by a highly contagious virus and can spread rapidly through groups of horses, such as at horse shows and events. The virus affects the respiratory tract, leading to cough, fever and nasal discharge.
- **Rhinopneumonitis**, caused by **equine herpesvirus**, affects the respiratory tract and may lead to fever, nasal discharge, lethargy, cough and neonatal death. The virus also can result in outbreaks of abortion and neurological disease.
- **Strangles** is a highly contagious bacterial disease that typically targets weanlings and yearlings. Signs include fever, depression, nasal discharge, cough, swollen lymph nodes and reluctance to swallow.
- **Leptospirosis** is a bacterial disease that can lead to fever, depression, loss of appetite, blindness, abortion and kidney failure. Horses can become exposed via contact with urine from infected wildlife, unvaccinated cattle and dogs, or contact with standing water.

Work with the veterinarian on your team to develop an individualized vaccination program to help protect your horse from disease risks.

¹ American Association of Equine Practitioners. Vaccination Guidelines. <https://aaep.org/guidelines/vaccination-guidelines>. Accessed April 26, 2018.

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