
BROOKDALE FARM

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TO: All Boarding Farms

Re: Equine Herpes Virus

FROM: Sally Lockhart

We recommend mares visiting Brookdale stallions be vaccinated against EHV-1 between 7 and 90 days prior to breeding shed trip, according to the recommendations of an attending veterinarian. We strongly recommend boarding facilities quarantine new arrivals for 3 weeks, and monitor for signs of clinical disease. The stresses of shipment and introduction into a new herd may cause latent carriers to resume shedding virus. Vaccination will not prevent this from occurring.

We will not breed mares directly from racetracks, training centers or boarding facilities under quarantine for active cases of EHV-1 regardless of vaccination status.

Mares residing on a boarding facility for 21 days or more, with no clinical evidence of EHV-1 neurologic disease, will be booked normally.

Mares residing on a boarding facility for less than 21 days will be provisionally booked, pending confirmation of a negative EHV-1 status for the mare's current and prior locations. Mares whose location or clinical condition for the past 21 days is unknown will not be booked.

At the breeding shed, mares exhibiting clinical signs of infectious disease will be refused service. We will use only disinfected twitches to restrain mares. Please feel free to send your own twitch with your mare.

These policies are subject to change without notice as new developments occur. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact Dr. Lauren Welch, (859) 873 6067