



NSA Official Notices

Thursday, October 2, 2025

Thursday Course Reports

Foxfield Fall Races:

Date of Inspection: 10/1/25

Moisture 32%- soft

Longchamp penetrometer 3.47 cm- good

Lange penetrometer 81.2- good to soft

Irrigation will continue through Thursday on the drier areas. There is no rain forecast. The course was mowed Monday to 5 inches. It is lush .

Genesee Valley Hunt Races:

Date of Inspection: 9/29/25

Clerk of Course: Marion Thorne

Others on Inspection: Travis Thorne

Turf: The turf is thick and lush measuring between 6 and 8 inches. Two applications of fertilizer and one of weed-killer have really improved the grass as well as frequent mowing.

Smoothness: The course was cultipacked and aerovated after racing last fall and aerated in the spring. This has made the course much smoother.

Compaction: 120 (Good)

Moisture: 2-4 (Average dry)

Notes: The course was gone over with a cultipacker and aerovator last fall after the Races. In the summer fertilizer and weed killer were applied. The course was hayed and mowed over the summer. We will aerovate as needed before the races.

Fences: The two coops were removed and replaced with new rail fences consistent with the rest of the course. Drop down rails much stiffer and have new zip ties.

Virginia Fall Races:

Date of Inspection: 10/1/25

Clerk of Course: Doug Fout

Turf: Fescue

Smoothness: Smooth throughout course

Compaction: 121 (Firm)

Moisture: 2.46 (dry)

Notes: Course was mowed Friday, September 27, with little to no rain in sight. We will not be mowing the course again before the races.

Far Hills Licensing

All Owners, Trainers, Assistant Trainers, Jockeys and Grooms participating in the Far Hills Race Meeting are required to be licensed and fingerprinted by the New Jersey Racing Commission (NJRC). The easiest way to obtain a license is by going to the Commission's website at NJRC HOME and click on "Licensing Forms" on the left-hand side. Grooms will no longer have reciprocity with other racing jurisdictions. A licensing tent will be available in the stable area on race day.

Far Hills Vaccines

The New Jersey Racing Commission's veterinarian provided us with the following vaccination and health document requirements for the Far Hills race meet. Please note that the requirements for the JUMP races are different from the FLAT race because of HISA's involvement in the flat race, the requirements are listed below.

Steeplechase (Jump) Race Vaccination Requirements: Tetanus vaccine: Must be administered within the prior 12 months.

Influenza vaccine: Required within the prior 180 days (6 months). (was 3 months in 2024) Rhinopneumonitis (Equine Herpesvirus) vaccine: Required within the prior 180 days (6 months). (was 3 months in 2024) Certificate of Veterinary Inspection: Must be issued 5 days or less before entry to the racetrack. Coggins Test: A negative Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) test is required within the prior 12 months.

Flat Race (John Forbes Memorial) Vaccination Requirements: *flat race is covered by HISA, therefore two additional vaccines are required. *Encephalitis vaccine: Must be administered within the prior 12 months. *Rabies vaccine: Must be administered within the prior 12 months. Tetanus vaccine: Must be administered within the prior 12 months. Influenza vaccine: Required within the prior 180 days (6 months). Rhinopneumonitis (Equine Herpesvirus) vaccine: Required within the prior 180 days (6 months). Certificate of Veterinary Inspection: Must be issued 5 days or less before entry to the racetrack. Coggins Test: A negative Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) test is required within the prior 12 months.

OnRise Mental Health Care and Support

Offering athlete-specific peer support, therapy, psychiatric care and 24/7 crisis services to licensed NSA Jockeys, free of charge.

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