



NSA Official Notices

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

Aiken Arrival Time for Non Lasix Horses

Arrival time for non-Lasix horses running at Aiken is no later than 11 a.m. (2 hours prior to the 1 p.m. post time).

Aiken Starts

All races at the Aiken Steeplechase will be started in the European gather-up style.

Aiken Course Set Up

The Aiken Racecourse will be set up with the normal five flights, moved inward by eight feet off the outside rail. The hurdle at the one-furlong mark will be jumped in the stretch run.

Aiken Course Report

Track Superintendent: Davey Maxwell

Clerks of Course: Michael Brown and Ed Coward

Race Meet President: Frank Mullins

Date of Inspection: March 17, 2026

On Inspection: Davey Maxwell & Jessica Miller

Outside Temperature: 46 degrees Fahrenheit

Soil Temperature: 64.5 degrees Fahrenheit

Time In: 1:40 a.m.

Time Out: 3:33 p.m.

Average Moisture: 9

Average VWC % with TDR Device: 38.84%

Average Compaction: 90



Turf Notes: After the Fall Meet, the racecourse was dragged, rolled, and top-dressed. Potential for rain for the next two weeks. Irrigation will be monitored.

Measurement Notes: Measured moisture and compaction readings, focusing on the takeoff, landing, and 3-4 strides away from each of the five fences on the racecourse. Photo attached.

Carolina Cup Nominations

Nominations for the Carolina Cup are attached.

<https://nationalsteeplechase.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Carolina-Cup-Nominations.pdf>