



NSA Official Notices

Thursday, April 9, 2026

NSA Stewards Recruitment Program

The NSA Stewards Advisory Committee is seeking candidates interested in attending the Racing Officials Accreditation Program (ROAP) to become eligible to serve as a Steward on the NSA circuit.

The next ROAP school will be held from Sunday, September 27, to Sunday, October 4, in Lexington, Kentucky.

Those interested should contact Bill Gallo at the NSA office or via cell at 443-553-1882 to discuss program details. Qualified candidates may be eligible for financial assistance to attend.

Please note that all NSA Stewards must be fully accredited by ROAP and current with NSA Continuing Education (CE) requirements.

Course Reports

Grand National:

Harrowed in early March; smooth with good cover throughout, despite the harsh winter.

Moisture: average 7–9 (Average wet)

Compaction: 80–100 (Soft)

Middleburg Spring Races:

Clerk Of Course: Doug Fout

Turf: Tall Fescue

Smoothness: Smooth throughout

Compaction: 94 (Soft)

Moisture 2.8 (Dry)

Virginia Gold Cup Fingerprints

The Virginia Racing Commission informs all permit applicants of updates to the fingerprinting payment process. Effective May 1, 2025: The VRC will no longer provide fingerprints service at any of its locations. Instead, permit holders that are approved will need to schedule a biometric screen appointment with the VRC's service provider, FieldPrint.

<https://www.fieldprint.com/>

<https://fieldprintswft.com/individuals>

Please note that FieldPrint may charge a nominal fee for collecting biometric data, which as of April 22, 2025, is \$7.95.

Certain applicants including employees of licensed racetracks, pari-mutuel facilities or pari-mutuel vendors must have successfully completed a biometrics appointment with FieldPrint prior to applying for a permit. Applicants are encouraged to review and adhere to these updates to ensure a smooth application process. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact the Virginia Racing Commission Licensing Office at VRCLicense@vrc.virginia.gov or call (804) 9667415. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

