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GUIDELINES FOR PENALTIES: VACCINATION DISCREPANCIES

The purpose of this document is to provide clarity and act as a guideline regarding penalties which may be imposed for contraventions of the Rules relating to vaccination discrepancies.

Each horse shall be treated as an individual and penalties shall be imposed accordingly.

This document shall not limit the discretion of a board in imposing a penalty and under circumstances, which it deems exceptional, the board shall be entitled to deviate from the penalty range below.

African Horse Sickness (AHS)

All horses shall be vaccinated according to the African Horse Sickness Vaccination Programme as published in the Rules.

Rule	Contravention	Penalty
39.1.1	Administrative errors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records not up to date • Missing or incorrect information • Expired vaccines etc 	R500
39.1.1	No evidence of <i>two sets of vaccines</i> as foals between the ages of 6 to 18 months and not less than 30 days apart	R500
39.1.1	No evidence of vaccination between 1 June and 31 October* for horses in the AHS Infected and Protection zones	R1 000
39.4	No evidence of vaccination in the past 24 months for horses in the AHS Infected and Protection zones	R2 000 and withdrawal of horse from race or sale

*during times of vaccination shortage, the NHA may extend the deadline of 31 October for horses resident in the AHS Infected zone only.

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Equine Influenza

All horses shall be vaccinated according to the Equine Influenza Vaccination Programme as published in the Rules.

The NHA Veterinary Department will allow an extension of the 6 monthly interval to avoid interruption of the horses' competition schedule by no more than 21 days. This effectively creates a 21 day window period after the 6 monthly interval in which to adequately vaccinate horses.

Any horse vaccinated after this window period will incur a penalty as detailed below.

Rule	Contravention	Penalty
39.7.3	Administrative errors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records not up to date • Missing or incorrect information • Expired vaccines etc 	R500
39.7.3	Failure to update passport within 7 days of notification of a discrepancy	R500 each time the horse is identified
39.7.1	No evidence of a valid primary course	R1 000 and withdrawal of horse from race or sale
39.7.1	Failure to give the last vaccination:	
	Less than 1 week after the 21 day vaccination window	R1 000
	Less than 2 weeks after the 21 day vaccination window	R1 500
	Less than 4 weeks after the 21 day vaccination window	R2 000
	More than 4 weeks after the 21 day vaccination window	R2 500
39.7.1	No evidence of a booster vaccination in the past 12 months	R3 000 and withdrawal of horse from race or sale. Primary course needs to be repeated

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