

BAY CITY VETERINARY CLINIC & EQUINE HOSPITAL
GUIDELINE FOR VACCINATION OF HORSES

Tetanus Toxoid

1. Foals and Weanlings:
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 3 to 4 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 4 to 5 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 5 to 6 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 7 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 8 to 9 months of age.
2. Yearlings: Vaccinate annually.
3. Performance Horses: Vaccinate annually.
4. Pleasure Horses: Vaccinate annually.
5. Broodmares: Vaccinate annually and 4 to 6 weeks prior to foaling.

NOTE: Horses should be given a booster vaccination if they suffer a penetrating injury or surgery 6 months or more after the last Tetanus Toxoid vaccination was given.

Encephalomyelitis (EEE, WEE, VEE)

1. Foals and Weanlings:
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 3 to 4 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 4 to 5 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 5 to 6 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 7 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 8 months of age.
2. Yearlings: Vaccinate annually in the spring.
3. Performance Horses: Vaccinate annually in the spring.
4. Pleasure Horses: Vaccinate annually in the spring.
5. Broodmares: Vaccinate annually and 4 to 6 weeks prior to foaling.

NOTE: In high risk areas vaccination series in foals should begin at 3 to 4 months of age and given every 4 weeks until three vaccinations have been given.

West Nile

1. Foals and Weanlings:
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 3 to 4 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 4 to 5 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 5 to 6 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 4 to 5 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 5 to 6 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 6 to 7 months of age.
2. Yearlings: Vaccinate every 6 months in high risk areas.
3. Performance Horses: Vaccinate every 6 months in high risk areas.
4. Pleasure Horses: Vaccinate every 6 months in high risk areas.
5. Broodmares: Vaccinate every 6 months in high risk areas and 4 to 6 weeks prior to foaling.

NOTE: Southeast Texas is considered a high risk area. Horses should be vaccinated at least every 6 months.

Rhino/Influenza

1. Foals and Weanlings:
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 7 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 8 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 9 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 10 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 11 to 12 months of age.
2. Yearlings: Vaccinate annually unless high risk of exposure, then every 3 to 4 months.
3. Performance Horses: Vaccinate annually unless high risk of exposure, then every 3 to 4 months.
4. Pleasure Horses: Vaccinate annually, with added booster prior to likely exposure.
5. Broodmares: Vaccinate prior to breeding and give booster 4 to 6 weeks after foaling. Vaccinate broodmares with Pneumabort at 5, 7 and 9 months of gestation.

NOTE: A series of at least 3 doses is recommended for primary immunization of foals.

Strangles

1. **Foals and Weanlings:**
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 4 to 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 5 to 7 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 4 to 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 5 to 7 months of age.
2. **Yearlings:** Vaccinate semi-annually.
3. **Performance Horses:** Vaccinate semi-annually.
4. **Pleasure Horses:** Vaccinate semi-annually.
5. **Broodmares:** Vaccinate prior to breeding and booster after foaling.

Rabies

1. **Foals and Weanlings:**
 - a. From Non-vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 3 to 4 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 12 months of age.
 - b. From Vaccinated Mares:
 - (1) First dose given at 6 months of age.
 - (2) Second dose given at 7 months of age.
 - (3) Third dose given at 12 months of age.
2. **Yearlings:** Vaccinate annually.
3. **Performance Horses:** Vaccinate annually.
4. **Pleasure Horse:** Vaccinate annually.
5. **Broodmares:** Vaccinate annually.

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