

Red Shores and PEI Harness Racing Industry Association Update Racing Protocols

Red Shores and the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Industry Association are pleased to update the Industry on the following racing protocols.

- An aggressive testing regime and adherence to biosecurity protocols have resulted in no further clinical cases of Strangles in the Standardbred horse population on Prince Edward Island. After close consultation with the veterinary professionals on the file, it has been decided that the requirement to have two negative nasopharyngeal cultures for the bacteria *Streptococcus equi*. sub species *equi* to compete/and or stable at both Red Shores properties will be discontinued effective immediately.
- As such, Red Shores will also be discontinuing the requirement for both On Island and Off Island trainers to submit an Equine Health Verification Form with their entry effective immediately.
- Trainers are reminded that by declaring a horse into race at either Red Shores at the Charlottetown Driving Park or Red Shores Summerside they are attesting that they have been closely monitoring their horse's health and confirm that all horses under their care that are entering the grounds to race and/or stable are healthy and are not exhibiting any signs of Strangles.
- Trainers and horse owners are encouraged to continue enhanced Bio Security measures in their barns and to continue to monitor their horse's health by means of temperature checks, etc.
- Red Shores and the Prince Edward Island Harness Racing Industry Association will continue to monitor the situation closely at both facilities with the assistance of the veterinarians on the file.
- For more information, please contact the Red Shores Race Office at 902.629.6634, 902-629.6636 or the PEIHRIA Office at 902-569-1682.