



Rabies: Deadly but Preventable

Rabies - what to know?

- Rabies is invariably fatal once signs appear
- The American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP) recommends annual vaccination to prevent contraction¹
- Vaccination is very safe, inexpensive and effective



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- The first rabies vaccine formulated for horses
- Low reactivity
- One dose effective

¹ AAEP Core Vaccine Guidelines (aaep.org)

PROTECT YOUR HORSES

What is Rabies?

Rabies is a virus that causes a neurological disease and can affect all mammals. Once bitten, the virus migrates to the central nervous system (CNS) where it initiates rapidly progressive, invariably fatal, encephalitis.

How does my horse contract rabies?

Horses contract rabies through the bite of an infected (rabid) animal, such as a raccoon, fox, skunk or bat. Bites typically occur on the horse's muzzle or lower limbs and often go unnoticed.

Are some horses more susceptible than others?

No. A stalled horse may be just as susceptible as a horse out on pasture. All horses, regardless of geography, breed or lifestyle should be vaccinated every year.¹

Your horse may be at risk through the bite of a rabid animal.



Skunks



Foxes



Raccoons



Bats

What are the most common symptoms?

- Colic
- Lameness
- Incoordination (ataxia)
- Paralysis
- Urinary Incontinence
- Muscle Tremors
- Fever
- Depression
- Abnormal Behavior (aggressiveness, stupor)
- Convulsions
- Abnormal Vocalization
- Increased Sensitivity (hyperesthesia)

Does my horse have it?

- The symptoms can be nonspecific, varied and can look like anything.
- Rabies progresses rapidly with death generally occurring in three to five days following the onset of clinical signs.
- Contact your veterinarian immediately if your horse has been exposed to a potentially rabid animal, or is showing signs of neurologic disease.

How do we prevent it?

- Without a cure, rabies prevention becomes crucial.
- The AAEP recommends all horses be vaccinated annually.¹
- Prestige® EquiRab® is the only monovalent rabies vaccine developed and labeled specifically for horses.
- Prestige® EquiRab® is long-lasting, providing 14-month duration of immunity. It requires only one low-volume dose and is proven safe-97.7% reaction free.²

Am I at risk?

- Yes, rabies can be transferred from animals to humans.
- You may become infected with the rabies virus through contact with saliva or brain/nervous system tissue from a rabid animal.
- Aggressive, post-exposure prophylaxis may be required for human exposure.