



FY22 Official Substitute Veterinarian

The New Mexico Racing Commission is accepting proposal for a contract to provide Official Substitute Veterinarian services for the FY22 Fiscal Year.

If interested in submitting a proposal on this position, please submit a proposal, letter of interest, and résumé.

Deadline to submit a proposal for these services is Thursday, March 31, 2022

All proposals **MUST** be sealed and mailed, hand delivered, or sent via email to:

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If you have any questions regarding this position, please contact the New Mexico Racing Commission at (505) 220-8971.

Brief overview of duties and responsibilities:

The Contractor, as **OFFICIAL SUBSTITUTE VETERINARIAN**, shall perform the duties of the primary veterinarian during the SunRay Park race meet. Contractor shall be available to the Agency and on call/standby starting from April 22, 2022 – May 31, 2022. The Contractor shall perform the following duties that include:

- a. Maintaining supervision of the Test Barn at the racetrack during the race meeting which is licensed by the Commission, in accordance with Title 15, Chapter 2, Part 6, of the Rules Governing Horse Racing in New Mexico, Revised 2016, and Directives and Instructions as may be issued from time to time by the New Mexico Racing Commission at SunRay Park in Farmington, NM. It is further understood and agreed that Title 15, Chapter 2, Part 6 of the Administrative Rules Governing Horse Racing in New Mexico has the force of law and therefore shall be binding upon the Contractor and Contractor shall and will follow and enforce it in its entirety during the term of this Contract. A copy of the above-referenced administrative rule, which must be adhered to, and a copy of the New Mexico Test Barn manual shall both be provided to Contractor by Agency preceding the race meet.

- b. Conducting out of competition blood, urine, or other biological sample collection on selected horses at designated times as required by the Commission.
- c. Coordinating and collecting blood, urine, or other biological samples from horses that are required to be tested in order to be removed from the steward's or veterinarian's lists.
- d. The placement and removal of horses from the breeders list when circumstances require either action take place.
- e. The placement of horses on the veterinarian's list that have been treated for a therapeutic purpose for any medication pursuant to Paragraph (9) of Subsection C of 15.2.6.9 NMAC and the removal of horses from the veterinarian's list when the criteria for removal pursuant to that subsection have been met.
- f. Providing pre-race inspections on an as needed basis. The inspection may include a hands-on tactile inspection as well as observations of the horse in motion. The extent of the inspection will be determined at the discretion of the Commission's Executive Director. Pre-race inspections will be carried out at the trainers' barn.
- g. The humane euthanization of any horse deemed to be seriously injured that is in the best interest of racing the horse to so act.
- h. Recommendation of a scratch to the Stewards of any horse deemed unsafe to be raced or any horse that it would be inhumane to allow to race.
- i. The reporting of the names of all horses humanely euthanized or which otherwise expire at the meeting and the reasons thereafter to the Commission.

The Contractor will act on directive and instruction, as may be issued from time to time by the Commission's Executive Director. It is crucial that the Contractor have extensive knowledge and experience of veterinary practices, including experience conducting equine soundness examinations, test barn procedures and familiarity of State Government rules. It is further agreed that copies of Title 15, Chapter 2, Part 6, of the Rules Governing Horse Racing in New Mexico is considered a binding contract by the Contractor and will be enforced in its entirety during the term of this contract. A copy of the Standard Operating Procedure must be adhered to, a copy will be provided to contractor preceding the race meet. The contractor agrees to report for duty with in twenty-four (24) hours of being called upon by the agency.