

BHRC Flu Vaccination Programme



The BHRC are using 2022 as a transition period but from 2023 will require horses to have 6 monthly boosters.

THIS YEAR (2022)

Primary course intervals (horses not previously vaccinated):

Primary course intervals are only required for horses that have not yet been administered a primary course or are required to re-start a new primary course.

An initial primary course of three vaccinations must be given (V1, V2 and V3): the second vaccination (V2) must now be administered within **21-60** days of the first vaccination.

Horses must not attend any official BHRC fixture/venue until 7 days after the second vaccination of the primary course.

Vaccine 3 (V3) must then be administered within **120-180 days** of the administration of the second vaccination (V2).

Boosters should be administered no more than **6 calendar months** apart, according to calendar months rather than a fixed number of days. For example, a horse that is fully vaccinated on 01 January would require a booster on or before 01 July.

Horses that have already completed a flu vaccination programme:

Horses that have a compliant primary course and compliant subsequent boosters up to and including 31 December 2021 do not have to re-start the vaccination process.

We ask that trainers seek to move to the new vaccination schedule as soon as practicable.

However, to help trainers implement the changes with minimal disruption to training, horses should be fully compliant with the new requirements by 01 January 2023.

This means that:

- **before** 01 January 2023, for **previously vaccinated horses**, race entry will not be refused on the ground of having not yet commenced six-monthly boosters.
- **after** 01 January 2023 (i.e.) all horses must have been administered a booster within six months of 01 January 2023.

[BHA - Vaccination Calculator \(horseracing.software\)](https://www.horseracingsoftware.com/bha-vaccination-calculator)

	Current	New protocol for 2022 (Primary Course)	New protocol ALL for 1 st Jan 2023
V1 (1 st Vaccine)			
V2 (2 nd Vaccine)	21-92 days	21 – 60 days	
V3 (3 rd Vaccine)	150-215 days	120-180 days	
Booster	Not more than 1yr apart	Not more than 6 months apart	Not more than 6 months apart