HISA Requirements for Owners

The rules and national accreditation standards that comprise HISA's Racetrack Safety Program rules take effect July 1, 2022.

Definitions

You are a **Covered Person** if you are licensed by a State Racing Commission **AND**:

- You have involvement with Thoroughbred Covered Horses or Horseraces; OR
- You have access to restricted areas of a racetrack in the ordinary course of your work.

Owners, trainers and jockeys are Covered Persons and must register with HISA before July 1 to participate in Thoroughbred racing. **Covered Horses** are any Thoroughbreds running, or training to run, in Covered Horseraces until their retirement is recorded with HISA.

The registration requirement for a horse is triggered by the occurrence of any of the events below:



A timed & reported workout at a racetrack or official training facility; or



The horse's entry in a Covered Horserace; or



The horse's nomination for a Covered Horserace.

What Else Owners Need to Know about HISA



There is no fee to register and you only need to register once.

Registering with HISA before your Trainer registers your Covered Horse eliminates the need for your Trainer to go back and add you as the Owner.



If your Covered Horse is currently in the care of a Trainer, the Trainer is responsible for registering your horse.

If your Covered Horse isn't currently in the care of a Trainer, you are responsible for registering your horse.

You must change your Covered Horse's status in HISA's system when you retire your horse from racing.



Medication and treatment records for your Covered Horse must be kept and reported upon request to HISA by your Attending Veterinarian and Trainer.



The Racetrack Safety Program includes shoeing requirements and rules restricting crop use.

Disciplinary actions for violating the crop rule include fines, jockey suspensions, and disqualification from purse winnings.