



Rule Change - IHRB Rule 91 (v) – Vaccination Clearance Deadline

From 1st March 2023, IHRB Rule 91 (v) will be modified with regards to the deadline for which vaccinations must be uploaded to the app and approved for clearance to run. This deadline will now move **to 5pm on the day entries close** (the current deadline is 5pm on the last working day prior to the day declarations close).

Therefore, for entries closing from 1st March 2023, trainers will be notified on RÁS at the time of entry if their horse's vaccinations are compliant. Should vaccinations not be compliant at time of entry, the trainer must ensure the vaccinations are uploaded and approved by their vet and the IHRB by 5pm the day entries close.

With entries closing only from Monday – Thursday, this change will result in vaccination clearance deadlines occurring during regular business hours, thus ensuring office support is available to trainers up until the 5pm deadline.

FAQs

What action must be taken if the horse's vaccinations are not compliant at the time of making the entry?

The vaccinations must then be uploaded to the Weatherbys vaccination app and approved by your vet and the IHRB by 5pm the day the entries close.

What if I miss the 5pm deadline?

The horse will appear as not qualified ('VNQ') at weight stage and will be removed from the race.

Vaccinations are not compliant - will the horse's owner be charged if I do not have the vaccinations uploaded and approved by the deadline?

No, the owner will not be charged.

What is the vaccination clearance deadline for Early Closing races?

In relation to early closing races, the vaccinations must be uploaded and approved for clearance to run by 5pm on the day of the final forfeit/supplementary entry stage for that race (dates of such stages are published in the Irish Racing Calendar and are available to view on RÁS).