

From: [Soring, Keith \[IRGC\]](#)
To: [Jaclyn Bradley](#)
Subject: RE: vaccination guidelines 08
Date: Friday, December 05, 2014 4:28:15 PM

Thanks for the input! The kennel size issue was something I brought up years ago and I couldn't really get anyone on board to configure a way to improve the current layout although the GM of the casino was in complete agreement and understood why stacking dogs is not a good idea. The problem with that particular layout is they don't have any more room to expand the kennel area unless it is south into the parking area - but of course now that the land/facility is leased to the IGA - I wouldn't expect any site improvements as they will struggle to make ends meet as it is.

They do have requirements for health certificates from out of state and there are even requirements for the shipping trailers. The problem is currently it is kind of a self regulating system as we haven't had a vet there on April 1 when they are allowed to arrive.

It only makes sense for you to oversee the vaccination requirements - we just have to figure out a way to convince everyone that you need control when the backside opens or work out something with Brian Carpenter to make sure compliance is enforced.

As you are already aware - change is difficult for these people and getting them to comply with even a 2 or 3 week vaccination prior to coming may be hard to enforce despite the benefit. But at least the powers that be have been made aware that there is a better way!

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Sorry for the delay. My internet access was very limited. I completely agree that the dogs should be vaccinated 2-3 weeks before arrival. Not only will be opening ourselves up to a chance of outbreak the dogs will not respond as fully to the vaccine because they will be stressed, very similar to high stress cattle not responding to vaccines. I would add that we should not specify that it should be the intranasal as the oral bordatella is extremely effective. As you said I do believe these dogs need a 6 month vaccination protocol for bordatella.

Does Dubuque require a health paper for dogs coming to the track? If dogs are coming from out of state, not only would a health paper be required by law, but they should be at least vaccinated for rabies. If they are getting a rabies vaccine then they may as well get the rest of them. If they are not from out of state then they are using a Iowa vendor anyways. I would be afraid of the legal issues if the track allowed an unvaccinated out of state dog into the backside and it was positive for rabies. Would they go after us since we allow a 7 day grace period? Correct me if I am wrong but a negative coggins is required for any horse to come into prairie meadows, I don't think this is much different.

The info on the kennel size is interesting and it makes sense, we had 2 dogs over 90# this last year. It would be a nice thing to address, however I would worry about changing too

many things at once. I would rather correct the vaccination issues this next year and then go after the kennel size at a later time. Unless they are having to change kennels due to needing more pens in the ginny pit and/or kennels then we need to address it ASAP.

Jackie

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I've said before that it makes much more sense to vaccinate 2-3 weeks prior to moving dogs into any housed environment. However, it seems some want to wait until they get there and we have allowed this in the past. Going forward we need to monitor this closely in order to avoid disease outbreaks. I am also an advocate of required intranasal Bordatella 6 month vaccination requirement but we have not required it in the past - only "suggested" it. Dr. Bradley is well aware of the pros and cons of 6 month vaccination.

As she came on well into the season last year, perhaps this season she should have more input or communication with Brian Carpenter on the vaccination protocols...

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Keith, when a greyhound came to Dubuque from other tracks from across the country Linda Vanderloo gave us a 7 day window from the time a greyhound enter the compound to get its vaccinations. We give the veterinarians our shot certificates that we created for them which included all the required shots so the veterinarians that come into our compound

know exactly what is required and the racing office can understand what shots the veterinarian gave to the dog. This also helps out our Iowa veterinarians (Iowa vendors) to make enough money to keep them interested in coming down all season long. I was wondering if we still get that 7 day grace period?

My only other concern is I will do whatever the state requires for shot records but I just wanted to say again that we should look into only giving the Intra trac II and the bordetella once a year. After reading several articles and seeing the cough break out more over the years. I'm worried that greyhounds being vaccinated twice a year may become more immune to these vaccinations. I know I'm not a veterinarian so I will wait and bring it up at the seminar and see what all the expert opinions' are.

Thank you

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Call or write me with any questions: We implemented these last fall for Bluffs. Make sure Dr. Troutman gets a copy of this!

Keith H. Soring DVM

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