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Detention Barn Assistant (Interim)

Job Location Varies @ KY Racetracks

Department Kentucky Horse Racing Commission

Salary \$14 - \$16 hourly



Description:

An exciting opportunity to work with Kentucky State Veterinarians, assisting with the regulation of horseracing throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. We are a leader in the safety and integrity of the sport, as well as the welfare of the horse. As a Detention Barn Assistant, you will collect urine samples from horses in the racetrack test barn and assist in monitoring horse medication records as directed by Kentucky Horse Racing Commission personnel responsible for regulating the safety and integrity of racing.

The horse industry has a \$4 billion estimated economic impact in Kentucky, and the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission is charged with protecting the confidence of horseracing stakeholders - owners, trainers, breeders, fans, and the wagering public - through enforcement of its regulations. The Detention Barn Assistant plays an important role in insuring that the sampling process can withstand legal scrutiny, and that drug testing results can be used to enforce the rules of racing.

The ideal candidate must have two years of experience in handling and working with horses, preferably on or around a racetrack. Must be willing to travel, including some overnight stays, and be willing to work on weekends and holidays. Work is typically performed outdoors in horse barns and at racetracks in various counties throughout the Commonwealth (Jefferson, Fayette, Boone, Simpson, Henderson, Christian). Attention to detail is critical. Incumbent will be exposed to dangers and hazards associated with working around horses and racetracks. Must be able to bend, stoop, climb, lift and stand for extended periods.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Collect and secure urine samples from horses in the racetrack test barn
- Ensure proper identification of tested horses by checking the tattoo or microchip number.
- Ensure accurate labeling of test samples
- Perform general housekeeping, keeping areas and equipment clean and litter free.
- Assist with maintaining records and files regarding racetrack medication.
- Report any problems or questionable behavior of horses or attendants to state veterinarians
- Assist with moving office and barn supplies from one racetrack test barn to the next
- Other duties as assigned

