

# SHOCK WAVE FIELD GUIDE

As we are in the stables more frequently and up closer with the competitors with our Equipment Check protocol, so our likelihood of encountering Shock Wave treatment is higher. You need to know what to do.

\*\*\* If you hear the sound, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qEWr0jA6BDI> locate their stabling.

## ASK QUESTIONS:

1. When does the horse show? If more than 3 days from competing, a Drugs & Meds form does not have to be filed. A person who is not a veterinarian can administer it.
2. It can be administered closer to the time of competing but not closer than 12 hours.
3. If done between 71-12 hours out from competing, **it must be administered by a veterinarian.**
4. Ask the name of the person (veterinarian) doing the treatment. Make a note of it.
5. Where is it being administered on the horse? It is only allowed above the blue lines in 71 hrs. of competing.



6. Ask if they have filed the Drugs/Meds Form on-line?

**The Rule: GR 414.4.** Shockwave Therapy may only be administered by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian. If sedation is required for Shockwave Therapy, only sedation performed by a licensed veterinarian and administered at the same time as the Shockwave Therapy will be considered therapeutic and GR411 will apply. No sedation associated with Shockwave Therapy will be considered therapeutic if administered within 24 hours prior to competition. No horse may be treated with Shockwave Therapy within the 3 days preceding competition with the following exception:

a. Shockwave Therapy may be administered by a licensed veterinarian within the 3 day prohibited period, but no closer than 12 hours prior to competing, and is limited to application to the back and dorsal pelvis areas. No Shockwave Therapy is permitted within the 12 hours prior to competing. This exception is permitted only when the "Trainer" as defined under GR404 properly files, or causes to be properly filed, an Equine Drugs and Medications Report Form after administration and prior to the horse competing. If an online form cannot be submitted due to lack of internet or phone service, a paper form may be submitted. The form must be filed with the Steward/Technical Delegate or competition office representative within one hour after the administration of Shockwave Therapy. If administration occurred outside of competition hours, the form must be filed within one hour after the Steward/Technical Delegate or competition office representative returns to duty if the administration occurs at a time outside competition hours. The Steward/Technical Delegate or competition office representative shall sign and record the time of receipt on the Equine Drugs and Medications Report Form.

## How to proceed:

1. If following rule as outlined above, no action is taken.
2. If not following the rule, take pictures of the treatment being done, stall, etc. Note the rule violation in your TD Report, with specifics of what horse was treated, by whom, (non vet), at what time was this discovered, and when was the horse to compete. Provide details and pictures. Include a copy of the entry form with the addendum.