

Listing Number: 476-16-09
Salary: \$81,000/YR-\$83,200/YR

Opening Date: 03-14-16
Closing Date: Until Filled
(Agency Use): _____

STATE AGENCY
JOB VACANCY NOTICE

POSITION TITLE: Veterinarian I CLASSIFICATION #: 4125 Salary Group: B23
AGENCY: Texas Racing Commission ADDRESS: 8505 Cross Park Drive #110, Austin, TX 78754

WORK LOCATION ADDRESS: Various racetrack locations

REFER TO: Mary Welch TELEPHONE: 512 833-6699

NUMBER OF OPENINGS: 1 DURATION: Regular X Seasonal/Summer Job _____
Temporary _____ Will Terminate on _____
Part Time _____ Hours/Week 40

TYPING: YES X NO _____ W.P.M. _____ SHORTHAND: YES _____ NO X W.P.M. _____

TEXAS DRIVER'S LICENSE: YES X NO _____ Operator X Commercial _____ Chauffeur _____

TRAVEL REQUIRED: YES X NO _____ SHIFTS: 1ST _____ 2ND _____ 3RD _____ ROTATING X _____

POSTING APPROVED BY: _____ DATE: _____
Executive Director

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The mission of the Texas Racing Commission ("TxRC") is to enforce the Texas Racing Act and its rules to ensure the safety, integrity, and fairness of Texas pari-mutuel racing. The primary professional responsibilities of the Veterinarian I, involve assisting in the implementation of the program goals, guidelines, procedures, policies, and rules through: 1) monitoring the health and soundness of race animals; and 2) testing of post-race samples for prohibited medications.

Additional managerial duties include: 1) overseeing the daily management operations and activities of the TxRC's regulatory programs relating to race animal health, soundness, and drug testing 2) assisting in establishing priorities, standards, and measurement tools for determining progress in meeting goals; and 3) coordinating and evaluating program activities. All work will be under the general supervision of the TxRC Veterinary Medical Director with latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

Examples of Work Performed:

- Oversee veterinarians and test barn supervisors. Coordinate and supervise their activities. Ensures their continued training and qualifications to perform their duties in accordance with agency policies and procedures.
- Administer and supervise all aspects of the agency's regulatory program relating to race animal health, soundness, and drug testing. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Recommending to the Medical Director new or changes to rules, enforcement policies, and policies and procedures relating to the authority of veterinarians and the agency's veterinary and drug testing programs.
 - Conduct or coordinate compliance inspections of racetrack facilities relating to veterinary issues.
 - Ensures procedures are updated to provide consistent service at all racetracks.
 - Assist in coordinating and facilitating working groups at the direction of the Medical Director.
- Respond to citizen inquiries and complaints relating to the agency's veterinary and drug testing programs.
 - Serve as Commission veterinarian at the racetrack on a seasonal or fill-in basis as required by Medical Director.
 - Performs other duties as assigned.

OTHER:

Ability to travel within Texas and to work non-standard work hours. During race meets, the normal work week will be Thursday through Monday; otherwise the normal work week will be Monday through Friday.

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION:

- Graduation from an accredited college of veterinary medicine. Current license in good standing with the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency. Current state and federal accreditation preferred.
- At least one year equine performance experience as a practicing or racetrack regulatory veterinarian.
- Experience in regulatory and/or government work environment preferred.

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

Date posted on site: _____

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KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Extensive knowledge or ability to acquire knowledge of agency rules, programs, and policies.
- Thorough knowledge of pari-mutuel live racing operations as it relates to race animal health and drug testing.
- Skill in report writing and drafting complex correspondence.
- Ability to plan, organize, and direct the work of others; to communicate effectively with persons of various educational and skill levels; to interpret statutes and rules; to analyze, evaluate, and summarize financial data; to develop, implement, and evaluate administrative policies and procedures; to comprehend higher management goals for the program and develop effective strategies; and to exercise discretion and sound judgment in applying and interpreting agency policies.

- Ability to work effectively with managers in related departments to achieve overall agency goals.

DISCLOSURE:

Commission employees must undergo a criminal history background check. The Texas Racing Act contains additional provisions that set out causes for rejection of employment. (Will be provided upon request.)

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a State of Texas Application for Employment referencing the above position number and title to:
Texas Racing Commission, Attention: Zachary Smith
PO Box 12080, Austin, TX 78711-2080.

You may request an application from the Commission office at 8505 Cross Park Drive, Suite 110, Austin, TX 78754, phone (512) 833-6699, fax (512) 833-6907 or visit our web site at <http://www.txrc.texas.gov>. Resumes may be submitted in addition to, but not in lieu of the employment application.