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## TAHC Commissioners Adopt Rule Amendments Chapter 49, Equine

AUSTIN, TX – The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) held a regularly scheduled Commission meeting April 30, 2024, at its headquarters in Austin. The following amendments were adopted and go into effect May 26, 2024.

### **Chapter 49, Equine**

The adopted amendments formally incorporate the waiver of piroplasmosis testing requirements for thoroughbreds, as approved by the TAHC commissioners in the 413th meeting on July 26, 2022, into TAHC rules. Additionally, these amendments streamline details regarding piroplasmosis testing and identification requirements for ease of use and readability, but do not change any other requirements.

The adopted amendments related to requirements for individuals or laboratories performing equine infectious anemia (EIA) tests update the citation to the relevant section in the Code of Federal Regulations. These amendments do not change the existing requirements.

The updated rule is available in the Texas Administrative Code under [Title 4, Part 2, Chapter 49](#). The Texas Administrative Code can be accessed through the [TAHC website](#).

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