



Introduction to Equine Rehabilitation

A course offered by the Animal Rehabilitation Association of Canada

Course Description: The purpose of this course is to provide the participant with a fundamental understanding of functional anatomy and palpation, equine pain behaviors, equine behavior in a therapeutic setting, and the ability to perform a rudimentary musculoskeletal and neurological assessment of the horse. Participants will be guided to use their existing problem-solving knowledge and understanding of basic physiotherapy principles and treatment techniques when confronted with equine specific conditions and pathologies.

Learning Objectives:

- Recognize equine pain behaviors and signs
- Describe clinically relevant anatomical differences between human and equine patients
- Identify key neuromusculoskeletal structures, bones, muscles, nerves ligaments, tendons, and cartilages
- Demonstrate the ability to palpate important musculoskeletal structures on live equine subjects
- Recognize normal and abnormal gait patterns within and between breed and equine body types
- Perform a rudimentary neuromusculoskeletal physical examination of a horse (inclusive of extremities and the axial skeleton)
- Identify specific to common equine pathologies and conditions, identify treatment goals and physiotherapy techniques and/or tools to address the treatment goals

INTRODUCTION TO EQUINE REHABILITATION Registration Form:

Eligibility: Licensed to practice physiotherapy in Canada (current or retired)

Prerequisite: Successful completion of 'Introduction to the Equine Patient' at **minimum 3 weeks** prior to the course

Note: This course is a pre-requisite to the 'Advanced Equine Rehab' course. Animal Rehabilitation Association of Canada advocates for completion of the Advanced course prior to entry to practice

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Registration Deadline: May 22, 2026 LIMITED ENROLLMENT

Course Pricing:

Animal Rehabilitation Association of Canada member \$2440 + GST = \$2562

Non-Member \$2590 + GST = \$2719.50

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Payment: To register please go to: <https://arac.rostertrack.com/>

Payment is required at the time of registration to confirm your spot in the course.

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