

All-card pre-race examinations – provisional schedule for 2026

The following is a list of dates and locations at which **all-card pre-race examinations** are currently scheduled to take place during 2026. All runners in all races at these fixtures will receive:

- A cardiac assessment using a stethoscope
- A trot up over approximately 25 metres, with the horse asked to trot up and back in a straight line on a firm surface
- An examination of the limbs by palpation.

These standard methods of pre-race check will always be performed by BHA veterinary officers in or near the racecourse stables. We are very grateful in advance for your assistance and cooperation with this process.

The list below may be subject to change, and it is possible that more fixtures will be added as we move through the year.

We always recommend contacting the BHA well in advance of raceday to discuss any horse that is mildly lame. Please do this by emailing: vetreports@britishhorseracing.com.

You can also submit videos for gait analysis using the Sleip app, which is now being used to help support and inform the suitability to race and pre-race examination process. If you'd like to submit a video via Sleip, please email us to request a link.

April

Wednesday 1 - Wincanton - Jump
Thursday 2 - Chepstow - Jump
Saturday 4 - Carlisle - Jump
Tuesday 7 - Pontefract - Flat
Wednesday 8 - Nottingham - Flat
Wednesday 8 – Fontwell Park - Jump
Thursday 9 - Aintree - Jump
Friday 10 - Aintree - Jump
Saturday 11 - Aintree - Jump
Sunday 12 - Wincanton - Jump
Tuesday 14 - Newmarket - Flat
Wednesday 15 - Newmarket - Flat
Wednesday 15 - Cheltenham - Jump
Thursday 16 - Newmarket - Flat
Thursday 16 - Cheltenham - Jump
Saturday 18 - Thirsk - Flat
Saturday 18 – Bangor-on-Dee - Jump
Saturday 18 - Ayr - Jump
Monday 20 – Lingfield Park - AW
Tuesday 21- Epsom Downs - Flat
Wednesday 22 - Ludlow - Jump
Wednesday 22 – Taunton - Jump
Thursday 23 – Chelmsford City - AW

Thursday 23 - Warwick - Jump
Friday 24 – Sandown Park - Flat
Friday 24 - Chepstow - Jump
Saturday 25 – Haydock Park - Flat
Saturday 25 - Sandown Park - Flat
Tuesday 28 - Southwell - AW

May

Friday 1 - Newmarket - Flat
Friday 1 – Warwick – Jump
Saturday 2 - Newmarket - Flat
Sunday 3 - Newmarket - Flat
Wednesday 6 - Kelso - Jump
Wednesday 6 – Kempton Park - AW
Thursday 7 - Chester - Flat
Thursday 7 - Huntingdon - Jump
Friday 8 - Market Rasen - Jump
Saturday 9 - Warwick - Jump
Tuesday 12 – Hereford – Jump
Wednesday 13 - York - Flat
Thursday 14 - Perth - Jump
Thursday 14 - York - Flat
Friday 15 - Newbury - Flat
Friday 15 - Aintree - Jump
Friday 15 - York - Flat
Saturday 16 - Newbury - Flat
Saturday 16 - Newmarket - Flat
Sunday 17 – Hamilton Park - Flat
Monday 18 - Wolverhampton - AW
Tuesday 19 - Huntingdon - Jump
Wednesday 20 - Ffos Las - Jump
Thursday 21- Haydock Park - Flat
Friday 22 - Worcester - Jump
Friday 22 - Goodwood - Flat
Saturday 23 - Salisbury - Flat
Monday 25 - Leicester - Flat
Wednesday 27 - Newton Abbot - Jump
Saturday 30 - Stratford - Jump
Sunday 31 - Fakenham - Jump

June

Monday 1 – Lingfield Park - AW
Monday 1 - Wolverhampton - AW
Tuesday 2 - Southwell - Jump
Wednesday 3 - Newton Abbot - Jump
Thursday 4 - Uttoxeter - Jump

Friday 5 – Epsom Downs - Flat
Friday 5 - Musselburgh - Flat
Saturday 6 – Epsom Downs - Flat
Tuesday 9 - Southwell - Jump
Tuesday 9 - Brighton - Flat
Wednesday 10 – Fontwell Park – Jump
Wednesday 10 – Great Yarmouth – Flat
Thursday 11 - Nottingham - Flat
Saturday 13 - Hexham - Jump
Monday 15 - Wetherby - Flat
Tuesday 16 - Ascot - Flat
Tuesday 16 - Stratford - Jump
Tuesday 16 - Wolverhampton - AW
Wednesday 17 - Ascot - Flat
Wednesday 17 - Hamilton Park - Flat
Thursday 18 - Ascot - Flat
Thursday 18 - Chelmsford - AW
Friday 19 - Ascot - Flat
Friday 19 - Market Rasen - Jump
Saturday 20 - Ascot - Flat
Monday 22 - Catterick Bridge - Flat
Monday 22 - Brighton - Flat
Tuesday 23 - Beverley - Flat
Wednesday 24 - Worcester - Jump
Friday 26 - Cartmel - Jump
Saturday 27 - Windsor - Flat
Saturday 27 - Chester - Flat
Monday 29 - Pontefract - Flat
Monday 29- Stratford - Jump

July

Wednesday 1 – Epsom Downs – Flat
Thursday 2 – Perth – Jump
Friday 3 – Sandown Park – Flat
Saturday 4 – Sandown Park – Flat
Tuesday 7 – Uttoxeter – Jump
Wednesday 8 – Great Yarmouth – Flat
Thursday 9 – Doncaster – Flat
Thursday 9 – Newbury – Flat
Thursday 9 – Newmarket – Flat
Friday 10 – Newmarket – Flat
Friday 10 – Worcester – Jump
Friday 10 – York – Flat
Saturday 11 – Newmarket – Flat
Monday 13 – Newton Abbot – Jump
Saturday 18 – Cartmel – Jump
Saturday 18 – Newmarket – Flat
Monday 20 – Cartmel – Jump

Tuesday 21 – Musselburgh – Flat
Thursday 23 – Doncaster – Flat
Friday 24 – Ascot – Flat
Saturday 25 – Ascot – Flat
Monday 27 – Ripon – Flat
Monday 27 – Southwell – AW
Tuesday 28 – Goodwood – Flat
Wednesday 29 – Goodwood – Flat
Thursday 30 – Bath – Flat
Thursday 30 – Goodwood – Flat

August

Saturday 1 – Goodwood – Flat
Saturday 1 – Hamilton – Flat
Monday 3 – Windsor – Flat
Wednesday 5 – Great Yarmouth – Flat
Wednesday 5 – Pontefract – Flat
Friday 7 – Musselburgh – Flat
Friday 7 – Thirsk – Flat
Monday 10 – Kempton Park – AW
Tuesday 11 – Nottingham – Flat
Thursday 13 – Beverley – Flat
Friday 14 – Newbury – Flat
Saturday 15 – Perth – Jump
Monday 17 – Wolverhampton – AW
Wednesday 19 – York – Flat
Thursday 20 – York – Flat
Friday 21 – York – Flat
Friday 21 – Salisbury – Flat
Saturday 22 – York – Flat
Tuesday 25 – Stratford – Jump

September

Wednesday 2 – Newcastle – AW
Thursday 3 – Haydock Park – Flat
Thursday 3 – Southwell – Flat
Friday 4 – Haydock Park – Flat
Friday 4 – Ascot – Flat
Saturday 5 – Haydock Park – Flat
Tuesday 8 – Leicester – Flat
Wednesday 9 – Carlisle – Flat
Wednesday 9 – Uttoxeter – Jump
Thursday 10 – Doncaster – Flat
Friday 11 – Doncaster – Flat
Saturday 12 – Doncaster – Flat
Saturday 12 – Musselburgh – Flat
Sunday 13 – Doncaster – Flat

Monday 14 – Windsor – Flat
Tuesday 15 – Uttoxeter – Jump
Wednesday 16 – Kelso – Jump
Thursday 17 – Pontefract – Flat
Monday 21 – Leicester – Flat
Thursday 24 – Newmarket – Flat
Friday 25 – Newmarket – Flat
Friday 25 – Worcester – Jump
Saturday 26 – Newmarket – Flat
Monday 28 – Brighton – Flat
Tuesday 29 – Sedgefield – Jump
Tuesday 29 – Wolverhampton – AW
Wednesday 30 – Warwick – Jump
Wednesday 30 – Kempton – AW

October

Thursday 1 – Southwell – Jump
Thursday 1 – Newcastle – AW
Friday 2 – Wolverhampton – AW
Saturday 3 – Newmarket – Flat
Saturday 3 – Fontwell Park – Jump
Wednesday 7 – Nottingham – Flat
Friday 9 – Newmarket – Flat
Friday 9 – Chepstow – Jump
Saturday 10 – Newmarket – Flat
Wednesday 14 – Ffos Las – Jump
Saturday 17 – Ascot – Flat
Monday 19 – Plumpton – Jump
Tuesday 20 – Exeter – Jump
Tuesday 20 – Hexham – Jump
Thursday 22 – Southwell – AW
Friday 23 – Cheltenham – Jump
Friday 23 – Doncaster – Flat
Saturday 24 – Cheltenham – Jump
Saturday 24 – Doncaster – Flat
Saturday 24 – Kelso – Jump
Sunday 25 – Aintree – Jump
Monday 26 – Kempton Park – AW
Wednesday 28 – Newton Abbot – Jump

November

Tuesday 3 – Sedgefield – Jump
Thursday 5 – Newbury – Jump
Friday 6 – Exeter – Jump
Friday 6 – Fontwell Park – Jump
Saturday 7 – Aintree – Jump

Monday 9 – Kempton Park – Jump
Thursday 12 – Hereford – Jump
Friday 13 – Cheltenham – Jump
Friday 13 – Southwell – Jump
Saturday 14 – Cheltenham – Jump
Saturday 14 – Windsor – Jump
Sunday 15 – Cheltenham – Jump
Monday 16 – Wolverhampton – AW
Wednesday 18 – Kempton – AW
Friday 20 – Chepstow – Jump
Saturday 21 – Haydock Park – Jump
Monday 23 – Ludlow – Jump
Tuesday 24 – Lingfield Park – AW
Friday 27 – Newbury – Jump
Saturday 28 – Newbury – Jump
Saturday 28.- Newcastle – Jump
Monday 30 – Wolverhampton – AW

December

Friday 4 – Exeter – Jump
Saturday 5 – Sandown Park – Jump
Saturday 5 – Aintree – Jump
Monday 7 – Musselburgh – Jump
Monday 7 – Lingfield Park – AW
Tuesday 8 – Fontwell Park – Jump
Wednesday 9 – Leicester – Jump
Thursday 10 – Taunton – Jump
Friday 11 – Cheltenham – Jump
Saturday 12 – Cheltenham – Jump
Friday 18 – Southwell – AW
Saturday 19 – Ascot – Jump
Saturday 26 – Kempton Park – Jump
Saturday 26 – Aintree – Jump
Sunday 27 – Chepstow – Jump