

## **Gate Crew Job Description**

**JOB TITLE:** Gate Crew  
**DEPARTMENT:** Racing  
**LOCATION:** Rocky View County, Alberta, Canada  
**REPORTS TO:** Racing Secretary

### **SUMMARY**

This position supports the racing manager and head starter on live race days and training hours throughout Century Downs' thoroughbred meet.

Candidate must possess strong:

- Organizational and time management skills
- Analytical ability and critical thinking
- Ability to organize and communicate thoughts
- Ability to carry out responsibilities with limited supervision.

### **ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** Other duties as assigned.

1. Help load horses into and dispatch them from the gate at the post time of each race, as well as morning training hours.
2. Assist with the placement and setup of the starting gate for each race. This includes, but is not limited to: dismantling and reassembling sections of the track rail, testing the gate, adjusting the numbers and raking the area.

### **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Strong horsemanship; significant experience working with and around horses in confined spaces. Working knowledge of operations and regulations pertaining to thoroughbred horse racing. Ability to take instruction and work effectively without direct supervision. Criminal record check required.

### **EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE**

Grade 12 education or suitable combination of education and experience

### **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Ability to effectively communicate in one-on-one or small group settings.

### **CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS:**

Must have a valid and current Horse Racing Alberta (HRA) license.

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### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand.

Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus. This includes alertness, agility, and the ability to effectively hold and maneuver unruly horses.

### **WORK ENVIRONMENT**

Exposure to external weather conditions, dust and noise.

Must be able to respond to numerous outside influences and impacts.

Variable hours and workdays as dictated by racing and schedule.