**Contraindications for Lidocaine:**

1. It has a known hypersensitivity to amide-class local anaesthetics, severe degree of SA, AV or intraventricular heart block (if not being artificially paced), or Adams-Stokes syndrome.
2. Lidocaine should be used with caution in horses with liver disease, congestive heart failure, shock, hypovolemia, severe respiratory depression, or marked hypoxia.
3. It should also be used with caution in horses with bradycardia or incomplete heart block having VPC’s, unless the heart rate is first accelerated.
4. Patients susceptible to developing malignant hyperthermia should, receive lidocaine with intensified monitoring.