



INFORMATION & GUIDANCE

VACCINATIONS

Foaling Mares

EHV 1-4 (Equine Herpes Virus) vaccinations are recommended but not compulsory for foaling mares visiting West Kington Stud. Vaccinations are due at months 5, 7 and 9 after covering date. Please advise us if the final vaccination is due while your mare is at Stud and we will arrange for this to be done.

There has been an increase in the incidence of Rotavirus throughout the UK, so it is now recommended but not compulsory for foaling mares to receive the Rotavirus vaccine at months 8, 9 and 10.

ROUTINE TESTS AT STUD

New-born foals will be routinely tested at approximately 36 hours old for IGG levels to check that the foal has adequate immunity from the mare. We recommend that foals born elsewhere should also be tested at 36 hours old for IGG levels.

For mares coming to Stud with foals at foot, we will routinely test the foals for Rotavirus on arrival, before being admitted to the herd.

INFORMATION FOR YOUR VET

Pre-Entry Health Tests for Mares

The following tests are compulsory for all mares coming Stud and satisfactory negative results must be received prior to the mare's arrival:

- **Clitoral swab (CEM)** taken in the current breeding season – this test is required for all mares.
- **EVA & EIA blood tests** taken within 30 days of arrival at Stud – these tests are required for all mares. If the mare has been EVA vaccinated, we will require sight of the pre-vaccination blood test results, as well as a copy of the vaccination record showing that annual boosters are up-to-date prior to arrival at Stud.

Declaration of Health

The Declaration of Health **must** also be completed by your vet and sent to us prior to your mare's arrival at Stud. Your vet will be able to complete this when he/she visits to take the samples for the Pre-Entry Health Tests. **Mares will not be allowed onto the Stud until this form has been received.**

PASSPORTS

By law, all horses now must travel with their Passports and vaccinations given must be recorded in the Passport, including Rotavirus, EHV 1-4, Flu & Tetanus, EVA, etc. Also, the relevant declaration concerning administration of medicinal treatments must also be signed by the owner.

SENDING FORMS & CERTIFICATES

Copies of all forms, certificates and information may be sent to us via fax in the first instance, to ensure that we have sight prior to arrival of your mare. However, we do also need the originals, which can either be sent by post or travel with the mare along with her Passport.