

#### Thoroughbred Barren Mare Scheme

The Thoroughbred Barren/Maiden mare scheme covers the cost of all the routine veterinary work required to help get your mare in foal. The scheme also covers the monitoring of early pregnancy once it is achieved.

The scheme is optional, however we strongly recommend that you take advantage of the scheme as it is the most cost effective way to obtain a pregnancy. It covers the essential and compulsory work such as swabbing, blood tests, scans and ovulatory drugs required for a fixed fee.

Should an emergency necessitating treatment outside of the scheme occur, the stud manager will be consulted and treatment authorised. All efforts will be made to seek owner approval, however we reserve the right to carry out any procedures deemed proper under the conditions presented. The welfare of the animal will be paramount.

I understand that I will be responsible for the veterinary fees incurred and agree to the attached conditions.

Mare's Name .....

Signed .....

Owner/Agent Name .....

Date .....



A mare on the scheme will be covered and/or treated under the terms of the scheme for three consecutive oestrus cycles. If the mare remains barren after this time the owner will be consulted and subsequent work carried out will be charged at the normal rate. Additional work will be undertaken at the owner's consent.

The following procedures **are** included in the scheme:

- Clitoral swabbing as per HBLB guidelines (for CEM, Klebsiella pneumonia and pseudomonas aeruginosa culture only)
- Blood samples for EVA and EIA as per HBLB guidelines
- Progesterone assays to determine if mares are cycling
- Cervical swabbing during each cycle
- Pre-breeding ultrasound scan
- All ultrasound scans and vaginal examinations to monitor the stage of cycle
- Post cover uterine irrigations
- Injections of some hormones including prostaglandin, ovulatory drugs (Deslorelin or Chorionic Gonadotrophin) or Oxytocin
- Caslick's operation if necessary (vulval suturing) and episiotomy pre-foaling
- Ultrasound scanning for pregnancy at 15-20 days, 25-30 days and 42 days post covering
- Twin management (crushing).

The following are **not** included in the scheme:

- Insurance examinations of the mare
- Sedation to enable a mare to be ultrasound scanned safely or covered safely
- Hormones to aid initial cycling including Altrenogest (Regumate) and Goserelin (Zolodex implants), or to support pregnancy (Regumate)
- The use of semen extender/luteinizing hormone and multiple post service irrigations above the routine wash out post cover
- Visits, emergency or otherwise, to perform routine work or to attend sick or injured mares
- Pregnancy test relating to payment of stud fee after 42 days pregnancy
- Investigation into failure to conceive including endometrial biopsy, uterine flush for culture and sensitivity, hysteroscopy, oviductal flushing and endometrial cyst ablation.

Should you decide not to subscribe to the scheme you must be aware that some veterinary work is essential, such as swabbing and internal examinations to check for follicles.



Should you have any particular requests or requirements regarding the veterinary care, these should be declared directly to the stud or in writing to the practice at:

The Minster Equine Veterinary Clinic Northfield Lane Upper Poppleton York YO26 6QF

poppleton@minstervets.co.uk

Visiting mares should have a negative blood test for EVA taken after 01st January 2023. Those arriving at the stud without a certificate will be routinely blood tested on arrival and associated fees charged.

If these forms are not returned within one month of being sent or given to you, we shall assume that your mare is not on the scheme and your veterinary work will be invoiced, monthly on a conventional basis.

All payments and forms should be forwarded to The Minster Equine Veterinary Clinic at the above address. Please complete and return all of the enclosed forms.



### **Client Details**

Name and address of owner:
Address for invoicing:
Telephone number:
Telephone number:
Mares full name:

**Breeding History** 

Year	Stallion Visited & Result	Not Covered

#### I DO / DO NOT WISH TO JOIN THE SCHEME (Delete as appropriate)



Signed .....

Please complete and return this form to The Minster Equine Veterinary Clinic.



#### Declaration

I understand that veterinary procedures carried out on my mare / foal is intended to:

- A. Assist the mare to conceive
- **B.** Maintain the pregnancy (including pregnancy diagnosis) and the health status of the mare / foal.

The vulva of any mare will be sutured if considered necessary by the stud's veterinary surgeon unless written instructions are received to the contrary before arrival of the mare at the stud.

Surgical procedures requiring general anaesthesia will be performed after consultation with the owner, unless in an emergency and the owner cannot be contacted.

We would recommend that you contact the stud regularly to enquire as to how your mare is progressing. If difficulties are encountered with your mare we shall instruct the stud to inform you of the problem and likely costs. You are welcome to telephone The Minster Equine Veterinary Clinic to discuss your mare's treatment.

#### **Payment terms and conditions**

These are our normal terms regardless of the stud scheme. Please sign below regardless of whether you are joining the scheme or not.

Credit terms are 30 days from receipt of invoice. Overdue accounts outstanding beyond our normal credit terms will, at our discretion, be passed to a third party for recovery.

I am in agreement with the terms and conditions listed above.

Signed.....

Dated.....

Name (block capitals) .....

If you do not return this form it will be taken as acceptance of these terms.