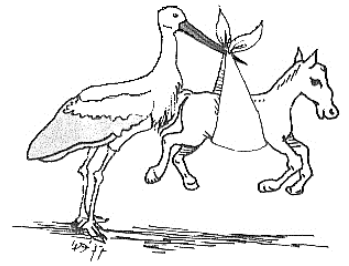


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VETERINARY FEES SCHEME FOR MARES INSEMINATED WITH **FROZEN SEMEN** AT WEST END FARM STUD

This is an optional scheme where the mare owner pays a 'one-off' fee to cover the costs of veterinary work necessary to help get their mare in foal and monitoring the development of the early pregnancy (details of the few procedures excluded follows).

The advantages for you, as a mare owner, are a **fixed single fee with discount for prompt payment**. Many mares need considerable monitoring and treatment after covering in addition to the routine swabbing and monitoring before covering necessary for all mares. The costs of this can soon mount up, but if you are on a veterinary scheme, all these procedures are already paid for, enabling you to know your outlay on veterinary fees for that breeding season regardless of the amount of veterinary work involved. Over the years, as a veterinary practice specialising in equine breeding work, we have found this offers the best approach to getting mares in foal as early as possible in the breeding season.

Mares for frozen semen insemination need frequent veterinary monitoring which can prove expensive. Further information on veterinary management of mares for artificial insemination can be obtained from the practice. **Even if your mare has normally been relatively straightforward to get in foal, we recommend our veterinary scheme as unforeseen problems may arise.** Any particular requirements or suggestions you may have regarding the veterinary care for your mare should be communicated to us at the practice.

The cost of the scheme is £400 plus VAT, if payment is received within 28 days of the first invoice. If your mare is not in foal, insemination, pregnancy scanning etc. at subsequent heat periods will be at a discounted rate of £300 plus VAT per cycle. These fees are only applicable if the mare is at West End Farm Stud. If payment is not received within this 28-day period then the full price of £450 or 350 plus VAT will be charged.

All mares visiting the stud should ideally have had a negative blood test for EVA, EIA and a clitoral swab taken prior to arrival however this is dependent upon the stud visited.

Following is a detailed breakdown of the procedures included in the scheme. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us. 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.

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FROZEN SEMEN SCHEME 2014

| Veterinary Fees Scheme | If paid within 1 month of invoice | If paid after 1 month of invoice |
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| 1 st Cycle | £400 + VAT | £450 + VAT |
| Subsequent cycles | £300 + VAT | £350 + VAT |

The fee will cover costs associated with insemination.

Veterinary Fees included:

Examination of genital organs; all scans; hormone injections; Caslick's operation; insemination; pregnancy diagnosis at 14 to 16 days, 24 to 28 days and 36 days; crushing of one conceptus in sets of twins.

The scheme only applies to the current breeding season and for mares at West End Farm Stud. In the event of a negative pregnancy diagnosis if you notify the practice or stud that you wish to have another attempt it will be assumed that you wish to continue under this scheme, unless we are informed otherwise.

Veterinary Fees NOT included:

Attention at foaling. Treatment for injury, illness or lameness; second opinions and further outside investigations; opening of a Caslick's in a pregnant mare; insurance examination; regumate treatment; care of sick foal; surgical procedures; attendance at foaling; routine vaccinations; pregnancy tests after 42 days; fetal sexing; blood typing & identity/microchipping. Swabs & Lab Fees for CEM, blood tests for Equine Viral Arteritis (EVA) and Equine Infectious Anaemia (EIA).

Any sedation considered necessary for mare and/or personnel safety is **NOT** included.

The hormone **buserelin** (Veterelin/Busol/Receptal) is useful in mares with a history of losing the pregnancy. The hormone is given as a single injection and costs approximately £21. This is NOT included in the scheme

Owners should indicate when sending mares to stud whether they wish to take up the scheme. This scheme does **not** cover courier costs associated with shipping of semen or return of semen shipper, nor does it cover livery of your mare and/or foal. To avoid any delays and additional livery costs it is recommended that frozen semen be shipped to the Stud before the mare's arrival. ERS(UK) will arrange for frozen semen to be stored on site in tanks maintained by Genus breeding a division of Genus plc. We will charge you (the mare owner/agent) for storage of remaining semen at a rate of £154.05 + VAT per annum, or part thereof. ERS(UK) will **not** provide insurance for frozen semen in storage. Owners can take out privately based insurance on the semen they have in storage with us. For more details on how to insure your semen we suggest you contact Irene Pickering, NFU Yorkshire Coast Agency on 01723 585307.

Fees are payable at the end of the month of arrival of mare/mare & foal at the stud. The lower fee will only apply if payment received within 28 days from invoicing. **If payment is not received within this 28-day period then the full price shown above will be charged.** Owners not taking up the Veterinary Fees Scheme, or any items not included in the scheme, will be invoiced monthly for all work undertaken. All charges are subject to VAT if applicable.

VETERINARY SCHEME 2014

FROZEN SEMEN

Name of Mare:

Stallion Visiting:

Boarding Stud:

Name & Address of Mare Owner:

POSTCODE:

Invoicing Address if Different from Above:

Telephone No:

Mobile number:

E-mail address:

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

I/we* understand that ERS(UK) will **not** provide insurance for frozen semen in storage.

Please Return Completed Form to Equine Reproductive Services (UK) Ltd

Signed.....
(owner/agent*)

Name (print).....

Date.....

TERMS & CONDITIONS

We (Equine Reproductive Services (UK) Ltd) are a general equine veterinary practice which specialises in equine reproduction. We provide a 24 hour veterinary service. Our aim is to provide a high quality of veterinary attention to horses under our care. We are experienced in techniques to achieve and maintain a healthy equine pregnancy and the care of the foal. We will endeavour to provide veterinary services in accordance with reasonable standards denoted in the RCVS guidelines for practice standards and the professional conduct of veterinary surgeons.

General terms for horses at stud: The stud which your (the owner or agent of the horse) mare or foal is resident will be responsible for the daily husbandry and care of your horse and/or foal. Upon verbal or written request by you or the stud we will provide veterinary services and invoice you for goods and services provided, unless previously advised otherwise in writing.

Emergency procedures requiring referral, surgery or general anaesthesia will be performed after consultation with you. If contact cannot be made appropriate treatment will be provided to protect the welfare of your horse, if the services of other veterinary surgeons are enlisted you will be liable for their fees. If your horse is insured you should advise either us or the stud when leaving your mare. The vulva of any mare may be sutured if considered necessary unless written instructions are received to the contrary before arrival of the mare at stud.

We recommend you to contact the stud regularly regarding progress with your mare. We welcome contact with you to discuss any aspect of your mare's veterinary care whilst she is at stud please telephone us during office hours (08:30 -12:00 weekdays).

Frozen semen storage terms: Where we (ERS(UK)) are providing frozen semen storage, you shall arrange delivery of the semen to the storage facility on a date and at a time to be agreed with us. The container in which the semen is delivered must be suitable for this purpose and we shall be entitled in our absolute discretion to refuse to receive any semen delivered in a container which is not considered of a satisfactory standard.

We will store semen at the stud or at such other premises that we may in our absolute discretion determine for such purpose. Frozen semen will be stored on site in tanks maintained and overseen by a person experienced in such work. We will store semen in such quantity as may be agreed between you and us. We shall be entitled in our absolute discretion to refuse to receive any semen for storage or to end our storage of the semen for any reason.

You agree to us carrying out all necessary tests and procedures on the semen as appropriate for its storage or use. In respect of semen delivered to us a proportion (being part of a single dose) of semen will be thawed and examined under a microscope for motility and morphology when the mare is inseminated. This is a guide only as to the quality of the semen but we give no guarantee in respect of any tests carried out on the semen regarding the fertility or suitability of the semen or otherwise.

We will **NOT** provide insurance for frozen semen in storage. Owners can take out privately based insurance on the semen they have in storage with us. For more details on how to insure your semen we suggest you contact Irene Pickering, NFU Yorkshire Coast Agency on 01723 585307.

You may remove the semen from storage at any time on a date and at a time agreed with us after giving seven days written notice, provided that such removal is not in breach of any relevant statutory or regulatory requirement. Return of semen to the stallion owner/agent will be the responsibility of the mare or stallion owner and is not the responsibility of ERS(UK) Ltd.

We will charge you (the mare owner/agent) for storage of remaining semen at a rate of £154.05 + VAT per annum, or part thereof. We reserve the right to increase this fee with 28 days notice. Credit terms are 28 days from receipt of invoice, credit card payments will incur a 2.5% surcharge.

Payment terms: All our fees and medical charges are subject to VAT at the current rate. Our fee levels are determined by the time spent on a case and according to the medicines, materials, and consumables used. A written estimate is available on request. Any new client will be expected to pay in full at the time of treatment. Treatment on account will only be available to established clients known to us with a sound credit history.

Our clients will be invoiced monthly however we reserve the right to interim bill. Payment may be required on account of our professional fees before work can commence in certain circumstances. Please also bear in mind that if bills are not paid in accordance with our credit terms we may not continue to work on your horse until you have settled your account. We have a statutory right to charge interest on the amount of the bill after expiration of one month from the date hereof. Such interest will be charged by us at a rate of 8% if payment is not made within one month

Credit terms are 28 days from receipt of invoice. Credit card payments will incur a 2.5% surcharge.

Any cheque returned by our bank as unpaid, any credit card payment not honoured, and any cash tendered and found to be counterfeit will result in the original account being restored to the original sum with further charges added in respect of the bank charges and administrative costs.

This Agreement can be terminated by you at any time in writing or by us on the occasion of any of the following events: You fail to provide us with instructions on request, or you fail to pay an account delivered within 30 days, or on our giving you notice in writing

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

Signed.....

Name Date.....

IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE THIS FORM BACK IT WILL BE TAKEN AS ACCEPTANCE OF THESE TERMS