

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION OF MARES

Reproduction is a large part of our workload and our experienced veterinary team has artificially inseminated numerous mares with both chilled and frozen semen for many years.

Mares are admitted to Isle Valley Equine Clinic at the first signs of being in season. If there is uncertainty as to when the mare is in season help is on hand – simply phone 01460 66099 for advice.

Once admitted we then take an endometrial swab to check for uterine infection that can reduce the chance of conception. Mares are then examined regularly both manually and by ultrasound to monitor their uterine health and follicular development.

When the dominant follicle is approaching readiness we will phone you and ask you to arrange semen delivery to us. The mare will be given a 'holding injection' to help ovulation prior to being inseminated. She will then be scanned again post insemination to confirm ovulation and check for fluid in the uterus.

The fees for up to five days stay at the clinic, endometrial swab, smear and associated laboratory fees, scanning as required, 'holding injection', insemination and post insemination scan are as follows:

- ❖ £300 including VAT for chilled semen insemination
- ❖ £450 including VAT for frozen semen insemination.

If you would like more information, please telephone 01460 66099 to speak to Simon Grant, Dominic Schneiders or Susannah Reynoldson who will be happy to help.

Fees must be paid at the time of collection of the mare. The fee does NOT include costs related to bringing the mare into season, treating uterine infection, stabling for more than five days, semen delivery charges, subsequent pregnancy detection and repeat cycles should the mare not conceive.

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