

Equibreed UK Health Requirements for All Horses

Current certificates must be received in all cases by the office before any horse arrives at Lower Meadows.

Biosecurity Statement

All horses arriving at Equibreed UK must be up to date with flu vaccinations. Including 6 month boosters which should be recorded in their passports and must have the following health status. All horses will be clinically examined upon arrival at Equibreed UK. Any horse showing any signs of clinical disease will be isolated (until disease status is confirmed) or not admitted. Isolation will be at the cost of the client (with pre-notification) and Equibreed UK Ltd reserve the right to isolate at their own jurisdiction.

Arriving at Equibreed UK

- Horses must arrive with a current passport.
- Horses arriving must be free of clinical signs of any infectious or contagious disease (including Ringworm, CEM, EVA, Strangles, EHV & Respiratory diseases) and must not have been kept at a holding with any equine suffering from signs of infectious or contagious disease (specifically Ringworm, CEM, EVA, Strangles, EHV & Respiratory disease) in the last 30 days.
- Horses arriving must not have been used for natural mating during the 30 days prior to arrival and tests must be taken at least 15 days after the last natural covering date - this is relevant to both mares and stallions.
- Tests must be taken after 1st January of the current breeding season.
- For stallions; two sets of swabs (from 3 sites – urethra, urethral fossa and penile sheath) should be taken at an interval of no less than seven days and cultured aerobically and microaerophilically.

ALL horses coming to Equibreed UK for any length of time (resident or walk in) must be certified free from CEM, EVA, EIA & Strangles.

- CEM and EVA are valid for the current season.
- EIA & Strangles are valid for 30 days from the day of sampling for horses due to be residents
- EIA & Strangles are valid for 90 days from the day of sampling for walk ins

Donor and Broodmares - Stay at Home Mares

We strongly advise mares being inseminated by Equibreed UK Ltd or undergoing any embryo transfer work done by Equibreed UK Ltd at the client's own yard, should be certified free from CEM and EVA. Any work done with untested mares at client's own yards will be subject to a disinfection surcharge.

Externally Inseminated Donor Mares must provide evidence that the stallion / semen used for the AI was CEM & EVA free.

Chilled Transported Embryos

Donor mares being externally flushed must be certified free from CEM & EVA prior to any chilled transported embryo arriving at the centre for transfer. Evidence must also be provided showing the stallion / semen used for the AI was CEM & EVA negative.

Natural Covering

Mares coming to Equibreed UK having been covered naturally elsewhere must also provide current CEM & EVA certificates for the stallion used to cover.

CEM testing

Stallion swabs for CEM testing are taken from 3 sites: Prepuce, Urethra & Urethral Fossa. Mare swabs for CEM should be taken from the Clitoral Fossa & Clitoral Sinuses. CEM testing should be for *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* & *Taylorella equigenitalis*. We accept both PCR and Cultured CEM results.

Recipient Mares

Any mares returning or joining our recipient herd must be certified free from CEM, EVA, EIA, EHV & Strangles and arrive within 30 days of these tests being done.

Export Status & Semen Freezing

Please contact the Equibreed UK office as each destination country will have specific requirements. We strongly advise that all Broodmares using Equibreed UK Ltd stallions are certified free from CEM & EVA prior to any insemination.