



CANTERBURY EQUINE CLINIC

EQUINE REFERRAL CENTRE

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Mare Breeding Service Contract (Embryo Transfer): 2023-2024

The Canterbury Equine Clinic offers a breeding service whereby mares are bred using chilled or frozen semen, embryos are flushed and transferred into a recipient mare. The contract is charged per services used, with a "price per flush" and separate transfer and follow up fees following a successful embryo retrieval.

Mares being bred to frozen semen must reside at the clinic whilst being bred. Scanning of mares and breeding to fresh/chilled semen can be performed on farm if adequate facilities are available. The embryo flush and transfer are performed as a day procedure at the clinic.

Synchronisation of donor and recipient mares: -

1 donor + 2 recipient mares = \$850.00 + GST

This is recommended to give the best chance of success.

Using only one recipient mare is not recommended (from lack of synchronisation, or in the event of two embryos being retrieved) but can be discussed with the veterinarian if desired.

This includes: -

- Initial ultrasound examination of donor and recipient mares at the beginning of the breeding season
- Synchronising the donor and recipient mares: -
 - Altrenogest (regumate) OR alternative, and prostaglandin injections if needed to synchronise mares and bring into season
- Additional follicle scans where required.

Insemination and embryo flush of donor mare:

Chilled semen = \$980.00 + GST

Frozen semen = \$1180 + GST

This includes:

- Insemination of donor mares: -
 - Ovulating injections to promote ovulation of donor and recipient mares
 - Follicle scans to ensure correct timing of insemination
 - Artificial insemination of donor mare (chilled or frozen semen)
 - Follow-up scans to confirm ovulation, post-breeding lavage and oxytocin if indicated
- Embryo flush: -
 - Uterine flush (under sedation) of donor mare
 - Embryo search and preparation
 - Prostaglandin injection for donor mare

Transfer of embryo and pregnancy scans = \$700.00 + GST

Only applicable in the event of successful embryo retrieval. This includes:

- Transfer of embryo (under sedation) to recipient mare

- Anti-inflammatory injection and altrenogest for recipient mare
- Pregnancy diagnosis: -
 - Scans for pregnancy at 14-, 28- and 42-days post-ovulation.
- Blood test for progesterone levels at 42 days to determine if altrenogest can be discontinued.

Not included in the embryo transfer fees are:

- **Visit charges**
 - \$48.30 incl. GST per visit.
- **Travel charges**
 - Outer Area a maximum of \$1.90 incl. GST per km, one way in the outer area (costs can be advised in advance). This will be apportioned where possible with other visits on the day.
- **Board**
 - Charged per day - in a yard or paddock at the Canterbury Equine Clinic - \$15 incl. GST
 - Includes hay and daily management – hard feed to be provided by owners if required.

The contract does not include the following: -

- Courier fees, delivery or storage of semen.
- Sedation for scanning or serving – dependent on the facilities available and mare’s tractability.
- Caslick and opening (including repair of severe damage occurred during foaling).
- Systemic antibiotic or anti-inflammatory treatment (excluding anti-inflammatory at time of embryo transfer).
- Treatment of any complications associated with procedures involved in this contract, e.g. endometritis
- Insurance examination and IgG level testing on foals.
- Foaling and complications of foaling, treatment for retained placentas.
- Uterine culture, cytology or biopsy and the associated laboratory fees.
- Extensive reproductive surgery.
- Non-breeding related procedures on the mare and foals at foot such as deworming, vaccinations, dental attention and treatment of injuries or illness.

Under this contract you are required to provide two suitable recipient mares. The ideal mare is a young fertile mare of similar size to the donor, with a good temperament. If you are unable to provide a recipient mare, we can source one for you, at a cost of \$2000 incl. GST (including \$500 non-refundable deposit - see recipient contract for details).

Owner Responsibilities:

In order to provide the best service, and ensure the safety of ourselves and your mare, we require:

- A sturdy crush located out of direct sunlight.
- A confident horse handler.
- A donor mare, with a complete reproductive history.
- Two suitable recipient mares unless previous agreement has been made.
- **Breeding fees to be settled prior to commencing each cycle.**

Mares Name: _____

Stallions Name: _____

To be bred: At home [] At the clinic []

Owners Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Billing Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____