

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### Terms and condition for mares attending stud

All owners are advised to insure their animals prior to arrival at Stud. Although every care is taken, mares, foals & any equipment are left at the Stud at the owner's risk. No responsibility can be accepted for accident or disease & mares can only be taken on this understanding.

#### Health requirements for entry to stud

All mares must (except mares on foaling heat with a live foal at foot) arrive with a clear CEM swab & a Negative EVA blood, their certificates must accompany them to stud. Please note it can take 7 days for a swab result to come through so allow time when organising these tests. Any mare arriving without the relevant certificates will be kept in quarantine until they arrive. All health requirements are as much for your protection as ours. All our stallions are EVA tested or vaccinated, cases of EVA and CEM have to be notified to DEFRA. Failure to have stringent controls put you and your mare at risk.

#### Flu and Tetanus injections

All resident horses at the Stud are covered for flu and tetanus. We advise but do not insist that you cover any mares visiting the Stud. Mares arriving not vaccinated will have the option of vaccination at the Stud so the resulting foal will be covered. Any boosters can be arranged to be done at Stud. Mares coming for foaling must be fully vaccinated with the 2<sup>nd</sup> injections prior to arrival.

#### Mares for foaling

Mares returning to Stud for foaling must arrive a minimum of 4 weeks before their due date. (We prefer 6 weeks) This is so that colostrum is of adequate quality to protect the foal. They must be up to date with their flu and tetanus injections

#### Veterinary work and packages

All veterinary work at the Stud, unless otherwise stated, will be carried out by Aldington Equine Vets.

**Veterinary packages on site stallions** – This is a one off payment which covers all routine stud work until your mare is in foal or the end of the current stud season. These packages are excellent value, they include all visits, routine stud work, ultrasound scanning & a post service wash out each cycle.

**Veterinary package Chilled Semen** – This is a one off payment which covers all routine stud work until your mare is in foal or the end of the current stud season. These packages are excellent value, they include all visits, routine stud work, ultrasound scanning & a post service wash out each cycle. A full list of package terms can be obtained from the Stud. Mares signing for the veterinary package must arrive with a cheque made payable to Aldington Equine Vets or credit card details. Mares not on a package will be billed per treatment by Aldington Equine Vets direct to the mare owner. All mares on veterinary advice, will be given any medication or treatment which may be necessary for the cycling or fertility of the mare, and if left at the stud after service will be scanned at the appropriate time,

A.I charge- there is a £60 A.I charge per cycle this covers inseminating of the mare, evaluation of the semen and filling in the t paperwork needed to ensure you can receive the service certificates from the stallion.

**Veterinary package Frozen semen** – This package is per cycle and include all of the above and Insemination of frozen semen for one cycle.

In the case of an emergency, if in our professional opinion a vet is required, one will be called at the owners expense. Medication or injections will be administered by our staff on veterinary advice. All veterinary accounts must be cleared before the mare leaves the stud. Any extra veterinary treatments not covered by the Vet package are billed monthly direct to the client from Aldington Equine Vets

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#### A.I with fresh semen from on site stallions

Mares are artificially inseminated with fresh semen at the Stud. A.I with fresh semen is recognised as offering better fertility rates than natural service and is much safer and less stressful for the mare. Due to the added risk to the mare and the fact that most insurance companies will no longer insure mares for natural covering we no longer offer natural covering all mares on site are inseminated with fresh semen immediately after it has been collected from the stallion. There is an A.I charge for this service which is payable per cycle.

#### Worming

All mares will be worm counted on entry to the stud and wormed accordingly throughout their stay. All foals will be wormed every 4 weeks in line with recommended foal worming regimes.

#### Farrier

Any mares arriving with hind shoes will have them removed. Both mares and foals will have their feet trimmed regularly. A handling charge will be added to the livery account for mares needing the farrier. Mares may keep front shoes on; these will be changed when required. If a separate farrier receipt is required this must be stated on arrival. Farrier fees are subject to VAT at the current rate.

#### Mares arriving by transporters

If you are sending your mare to Stud with a third party please contact the Stud in advance to receive an arrival form which should be filled in and accompany the mare to stud. Please ensure that all equipment or rugs left at the stud is clearly labelled with the mare's name and owner's surname in some form of permanent marker

#### Stud Fees

For all resident stallions these are on a No Foal Free Return (N.F.F.R.) basis. These terms apply to any mare arriving & taking up a nomination at stud even if service/A.I has not taken place. The free return applies to the same mare the following year. Any other arrangements are made at the discretion of the stud. A £100 Booking fee is required to secure a nomination. The booking fee will be deducted from the stud fee and is non refundable unless a veterinary certificate is supplied stating a veterinary reason for the nomination not to be taken, the balance of Stud Fees is payable when the mare arrives at stud

#### Service certificates for Country farm Stud Stallions

Service certificates will be issued at the end of the stud season, and will be sent out recorded delivery. For mares leaving the Stud prior to their 40 day scan, service certificates will only be issued on receipt of a positive pregnancy diagnosis form from your vet. Service certificates will be withheld until any outstanding accounts are settled. If lost or damaged duplicate service certificates can be issued at a cost of £25.

#### Livery and charges

All Livery Fees and any additional charges are to be paid in full at the end of the mares stay, monthly livery accounts will be issued and can be paid monthly if preferred. Please see our website or price list for the up to date fees.

Any outstanding stud or veterinary accounts not settled by 1<sup>st</sup> September will forfeit issuing of service certificates or eligibility for a free return.

In the event that the Fee or any additional sum due under this Agreement remains unpaid for more than three (3) months after they first become due, the Owner agrees that the Yard may sell the Horse, provided that written notice has been given to the Owner (at the address set out at the beginning of this Agreement) of the intention to sell, at least seven (7) days before sale. From the monies received from the sale of the Horse, the Yard may retain such sums as cover of any unpaid sums due under this Agreement and the reasonable costs of sale. Any remaining money shall be returned to the Owner within thirty (30) days of sale. The horse and any equipment may be held by the yard in lieu of any fees owing to the yard & sold in accordance with the above terms.

## **Terms and condition for delivery of chilled semen**

### **Stud Fees**

All Stud Fees for fresh or chilled semen for insemination from resident stallions are on NFFR Terms. The free return applies to the same mare the following year. The semen shall only be inseminated into the mare detailed on this form any excess semen should be disposed of. Any other arrangements are made at the discretion of the stud. For 'Walk in' Stallions check the individual Nomination terms offered. Further semen will only be despatched on receipt of a negative pregnancy diagnosis from the vet, a collection and delivery fee is payable for each dose of semen despatched. A £100 Booking fee is required to secure a nomination. The booking fee will be deducted from the stud fee and is non refundable unless a veterinary certificate is supplied stating a veterinary reason for the nomination not to be taken.

### **Ordering of Semen**

Full co-operation between the mare owner, the Stud & the Veterinary Surgeon carrying out the A.I. is essential. It is important that the Stud is kept informed of the mare's progress & is informed as soon as the mare comes into season.

**Resident Stallions**- under normal circumstances semen ordered by 10.30am will be delivered by 9am the next day excluding Sunday & Monday deliveries.

**'Walk In' Stallions** - Semen ordered by 3pm one day will be delivered by 9am the morning after next (i.e. order by 3pm on a Monday for Wednesday morning delivery)

However due to some mid week shows on certain dates an earlier order time may be necessary, therefore it is essential the stud is informed before the mare is injected into season.

### **Transport & availability of Semen**

Unless collection is being arranged by you, semen will be sent by overnight delivery. The cost of this service for delivery Tues to Fri is included in the collection & delivery fee, Saturday delivery is extra. It should be noted that there is no delivery by overnight companies Sunday or Monday. Same day delivery can be arranged for these days & for bank holidays by courier. Prices for this service are quoted on an individual basis. Semen can be collected from the stud, in these circumstances there will still be a collection, processing & mini tub hire charge but no delivery charge. The fees include 3 days equitainer/mini tub hire; it is the responsibility of the mare owner to return the Equitainer by recorded delivery within this time. Any extra days will be charged at £15 per day & any equitainer/mini tubs that are lost or damaged will be charged at the replacement cost to the mare owner. In the event that fresh/chilled semen is not available from the stallion frozen semen may be offered.

We accept no responsibility whatsoever for delays or the non delivery of semen due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control.

### **Payment of fees**

The stud fee and delivery fee must be paid and cleared in full before semen can be despatched. The relevant delivery and collection fee must be paid with the stud fee (see charges for current fees) A separate cheque should also be sent for the delivery amount, this will be left on file at the stud in case further semen is required, as this is often only found out on the day of scanning and can be needed the following day. If not required this second cheque will be returned with the service certificates at the end of the season. Any outstanding stud or veterinary accounts not settled by 1<sup>st</sup> September will forfeit issuing of service certificates or eligibility for a free return.

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Service certificates will be issued at the end of the stud season, and will be sent out recorded delivery. Service certificates will only be issued on receipt of a positive pregnancy diagnosis form from your vet. Service certificates will be withheld until any outstanding accounts are settled. If lost or damaged duplicate service certificates can be issued at a cost of £25.

## **Terms and condition for delivery of frozen semen**

### **Stud Fees**

All Stud Fees for frozen semen are for three insemination doses which will be shipped together. The stud fee is for the mare detailed on this form only and any unused doses must be returned to the stud thawed. Further semen will only be despatched at the discretion of the Stud manager.

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### **Types of payment**

Payment can be made by BACS transfer to account no 24705296 sort code 05-02-57, Credit/Debit cards (3% charge applies for credit cards) through Pay Pal on our web site, (Pay Pal payments are subject to a fee set by pay pal, or by cheque. Cheques to be payable to: Country Farm Stud Ltd., please allow 5 working days for cheques to clear. Cheques will not be accepted as final payment on the day the mare is leaving the Stud. Banker's drafts or Building society cheques, as with cash, do not need a clearing time.

There will be a £50 charge for any returned cheques for both the stud and Aldington Equine Vets.

Current charges can be found in the Stud Brochures & on our website\*

I hereby state that I have received/downloaded & read the full Terms Conditions of Country Farm Stud Ltd, I agree to abide by them & the above information I have given is correct to the best of my knowledge.

