

Breeding Part Three – Care of the Foal and Young Horse

Checklist Guidance

Breeding	Notes for guidance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can outline the care required for the mare and foal during the 24 hrs after birth • I can outline the care of the mare and foal from 3 weeks to weaning • I am aware of the type of handling the foal will require • I know when passporting and microchipping is required • I can outline different methods of weaning • I know about castration • I know what is involved in caring for a young horse from weaning to 2 years old 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ <i>Participant is aware the mare and foal should be checked every couple of hours over the first 24 hours and that if there is a problem the foal can deteriorate very quickly. They should be aware the vet should visit the morning after the mare has foaled. They should know two signs that indicate the foal may not be well.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should be able to outline the care required for the mare and foal in relation to; farrier visits, worming and nutrition.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should be able to outline the type of handling required for the foal.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should know when passporting and microchipping is required, who can provide a passport and who should microchip the foal.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should know three different methods of weaning.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should know when castration should be done and the purpose and benefits of castration.</i> ▫ <i>Participant should be able to outline the care required for the young horse in relation to; farrier visits, worming, nutrition, and other routine care.</i>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I know the importance of regular farrier visits• I know the importance of providing the correct nutrition for the mare and foal, and young horse	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▫ <i>Participant should know at what age the foal should first be visited by the farrier and then how regularly they should visit. They should know why regular farrier attention is vital for future soundness.</i>▫ <i>Participant should know the importance of providing correct nutrition for the mare and foal and young horse and where to seek advice.</i>
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