

WORM PROGRAM – HIGH RISK HORSES

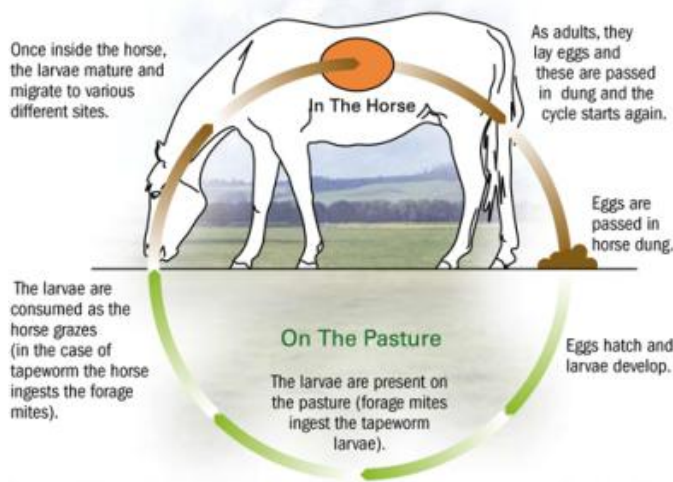
- Horses under 3 years old
- Yards with large numbers of horses coming and going
- Yards without set worming programs, or where not all liveryies comply with the program
- Paddocks are not harrowed or poo picked regularly and/or are overgrazed.
- Paddocks are not rested through prolonged frost or intensely sunny periods (minimum 6 week)



Red worm present in faeces.

Program –

- Roundworm – WEC (worm egg count) every 3 months in Feb, May, Aug and Nov, levels over 50 epg (egg per gram) require worming.
- Tapeworm – May and November every year, use either the Saliva test or a blood test. If positive, worm accordingly. (Saliva test available from Westgate Laboratories)

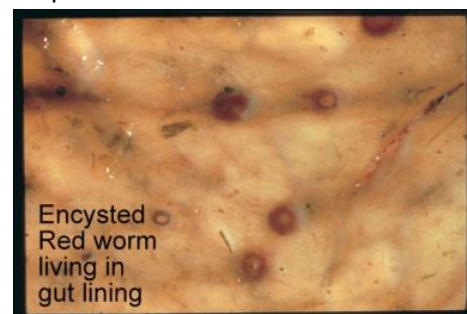


Please note – There are many wormers on the market, these are just a selection, so please check the ingredients.

| Month | Feb | May | Aug | Nov |
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| +ve WEC +ve Tapeworm (May and Nov) | Year 1 – Strongid P Year 2 – Eraquell or Eqvalan Year 3 – Equest | Year 1 – Double dose of Strongid P Year 2 – Equimax or Eqvalan Duo Year 3 – Equest Pramox | Year 1 – Strongid P Year 2 – Eraquell or Eqvalan Year 3 – Equest | Equest Pramox every year |
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| -ve WEC +ve Tapeworm (May and Nov) | No treatment needed | Equitape | No treatment needed | Equest Pramox unless 2 years of consecutive -ve WEC then use Equitape |
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Notes –

- Equest is the only wormer that effectively kills encysted redworm (these do not show up on WEC) and so must be given every Nov, unless the horse has had 2 years of consecutive negative WECs.
- Foals under 6 months old should be wormed every 4 weeks with Panacur single dose from 2 weeks old. At 6 months old they join the program as described above.
- Any new horses on the yard should be given Equest Pramox and stabled for 24 hours prior to turnout.
- Rescue horses or those suspected to have a high burden should be given a single dose of Strongid P as soon as possible, then Equest Pramox 2 weeks later. They should not be turned out until 24 hours after Equest Pramox, and must be monitored carefully for any signs of depression or diarrhea. If this occurs, seek veterinary advice.
- There is a high resistance of worms to Panacur so we do not recommend this is included in a worming program, apart from foals under 6 months old.



Encysted Red worm living in gut lining