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# Worms & Shots

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## Worms and Deworming

\_\_\_\_\_ are Internal Parasites and can damage a horse's intestines, heart, and lungs.

Worms can even kill a horse if left untreated.

A Vet can determine if a horse has worms by testing a sample of the horse's \_\_\_\_\_.



A Dewormer is a medicine that kills the \_\_\_\_\_ (usually a medicated paste)

Most horses need to be dewormed 2 to 6 times per \_\_\_\_\_



Some farms have a regular deworming schedule ( for example, every 2 months, every 6 weeks, every month in the spring and summer, etc).

Ask your Vet to test your horse for worms and what deworming schedule he/she recommends.

Worms can build up a resistance to the deworming medicine so

- Do not use the \_\_\_\_\_ medicine over and over
- Rotate different wormers each time.



# Sample deworming schedule



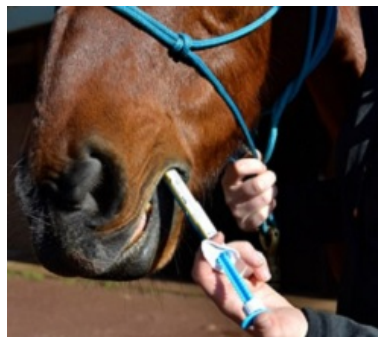
Time of Year	Jan/Feb	Mar/Apr	May/Jun	Jul/Aug	Sep/Oct	Nov/Dec
Active Ingredient	Pyrantel	Benzimidazole	Ivermectin	Pyrantel	Benzimidazole	Ivermectin
Product Name	Strongid <sup>®</sup> Paste Exodus <sup>™</sup> 3.60g Pyrantel Pamoate	Panacur <sup>®</sup> Paste Panacur <sup>®</sup> PowerPac <sup>™</sup> Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Paste Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Equi-Bits <sup>™</sup> Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Power Dose Anthelcide <sup>®</sup> EQ	Equimax <sup>™</sup> Paste Zimecterin <sup>®</sup> Paste Zimecterin <sup>®</sup> Gold Paste Quest <sup>®</sup> Gel Quest <sup>®</sup> Plus Gel 1.87% Ivermectin Paste	Strongid <sup>®</sup> Paste Exodus <sup>™</sup> 3.60g Pyrantel Pamoate	Panacur <sup>®</sup> Paste Panacur <sup>®</sup> PowerPac <sup>™</sup> Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Paste Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Equi-Bits <sup>™</sup> Safe-Guard <sup>®</sup> Power Dose Anthelcide <sup>®</sup> EQ	Equimax <sup>™</sup> Paste Zimecterin <sup>®</sup> Paste Zimecterin <sup>®</sup> Gold Paste Quest <sup>®</sup> Gel Quest <sup>®</sup> Plus Gel 1.87% Ivermectin Paste

Notice how the horses at this barn get a different dewormer every \_\_\_\_\_ months. Talk to a barn owner about their deworming schedule



Most dewormers are given \_\_\_\_\_ using a medicated paste.

But if your horse acts like this when he sees the dewormer:



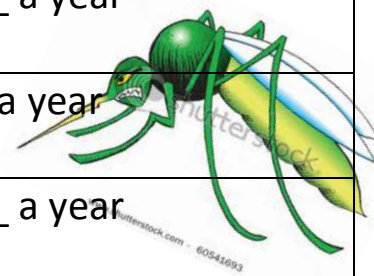
Get help, talk to the \_\_\_\_\_ about other methods of giving the dewormer.  
(Some can be added to the \_\_\_\_\_ bucket)

# Vaccinations



Vaccinations (“shots”) protect against certain \_\_\_\_\_.

What Disease?	How do horses get it?	How often to get Shot
Tetanus	_____ in a wound	_____ a year
Encephalomyelitis (sleeping sickness)	From birds to mosquitoes to horses	_____ a year in the spring
Rabies	_____ from infected animal	_____ a year
Influenza (flu)	Coughing (mucus). Very _____.	_____ a year
Potomac Fever	Drinking water that has _____ insects	_____ a year
West Nile virus	From birds to mosquitoes to horses	_____ a year



Depending on where you live, there are other shots as well. Your \_\_\_\_\_ will advise you as to which vaccinations are needed and when.

## What is a COGGINS?



A Coggins is a \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ test.

Generally your vet will take a blood sample in the Spring. The blood sample will be sent to a laboratory. The lab will test your horse’s blood for \_\_\_\_\_. EIA is “\_\_\_\_\_”

Equine Infections Anemia is HIGHLY \_\_\_\_\_. And, there is no \_\_\_\_\_ for this disease . Horse with EIA may not die, but they will be \_\_\_\_\_ of the disease and will need to be \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_. (*how long?*)

Almost every state in the county requires proof that your horse does not have EIA. This is done by showing a “\_\_\_\_\_ coggins”. If the coggins test is returned as being “positive” it means your horse showed signs of the disease.

Horses that test positive can either be put \_\_\_\_\_, or put in lifelong, complete \_\_\_\_\_. You can't ride a horse who is positive for EIA.

