



Weemala Performance Horses

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Faecal Egg Count Test Request Form

Owner Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	

Collection Instructions

- Samples should be collected within 15 minutes of defecation. A good rule is that if the manure is still warm it's ok to collect for a test. Preferably collection should be immediately after defecation as this will reduce the risk of contamination.
- Two or three manure balls are sufficient.
- Place sample into Ziploc bag/specimen container (or similar).
- Label with the horse's name & collection date. Ensure labelling is clear and readable and will not rub off in transit.
- Keep sample in a cool, dry place (can be refrigerated, do not freeze).
- Post or Deliver sample along with completed request form within 24hrs of collection.

Horse Details

Horse Name	Age	Last Deworming	
		Date	Product

Number of Tests	\$15.00 per test (FEC) \$10.00 per retest (FECRT) <small>(Retest samples must be collected & delivered within 20 days of initial test)</small>	\$.....
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Invoice will be provided on request. Payment by EFT

BSB 062 621 Acc # 1009 2858

Date Paid	Reference
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I have read the FEC information page and understand that faecal egg count services provided by Weemala Performance Horses are a monitoring tool that provides a general indication of adult strongyle worm burdens. I understand that the guide to results is a guide only and does not replace veterinary advice or diagnosis.



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Signed:..... Date:

Faecal Egg Count (FEC) Information Sheet

What are the important worms?

- ◆ The most common worms in horses belong to the small strongyle family. Other common worms are large strongyles, ascarids, pinworms and tapeworms.

Why do FEC testing?

- ◆ Provides a cheap and non-invasive test to give an idea of adult worms in horse and eggs in manure. This shows how well the current treatment programme is working and identifies horses that may require additional/alternate treatment.

What is FECRT?

- ◆ A faecal egg count reduction test (FECRT) is a process to identify the effectiveness of a deworming treatment. A test is performed prior to treatment and then again 2 weeks post treatment. The result can help identify resistance to deworming treatment and identify the need for re treating with alternative dewormer.
- ◆ Samples must be collected and delivered within 20 days of initial test to qualify as a retest (FECRT).

What it measures & limitations

- ◆ A FEC measures the number of strongyle eggs in a sample of manure. A FEC can also detect ascarid eggs. The result represents an estimate of the concentration of eggs in the manure sample. The result is expressed as eggs per gram (EPG).
- ◆ FEC is just one part of a parasite control program and the monitoring does not replace or eliminate the need for effective working treatments.
- ◆ FEC will not detect immature stages of strongyle parasites, tapeworms, bots or other non-strongyle internal parasites.
- ◆ FEC test does not discriminate between large and small strongyle (cyantostome) worms.

Not a diagnosis

- ◆ Weemala Performance Horses does not provide a diagnostic service of specific advice relating to the diagnosis, treatment and/or prevention of worm-related diseases in individual horses. Only your vet can provide this service.

Guide to Results

- ◆ <200 EPG Drenching probably not required
- ◆ 200 – 500 EPG Seek advice
- ◆ > 500 EPG Drenching probably required.

Sample Delivery or Pick Up



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- ◆ Sample pick up/drop off points are available in the Fyshwick ACT. Please contact for more information.