

# **EMBRYO FREEZING**

# Logistics and Costs - 2021

Embryo freezing or 'vitrification' is a method of rapid cryopreservation, resulting in an embryo that can be preserved indefinitely in liquid nitrogen for transferal to a recipient mare at a later stage. Embryo vitrification provides a means of preserving the genetics of a particular mare/stallion combination, for transfer to a recipient when convenient. This can be particularly useful for embryos that are flushed from the donor mare later in the Autumn. These embryos can then be frozen, stored and transferred to recipients early in the spring, resulting in early foals. Embryo vitrification also removes the need for synchrony of the donor and recipient since the embryo can be frozen until transfer is convenient. In addition, export worldwide of embryos reduces the need for transport of live animals and allows a worldwide market if selling embryos at auction.

## **Donor Mare Insemination**

- Fresh semen £330 + VAT
- Chilled semen £375 + VAT
- Frozen semen £435 + VAT

#### These fees include:

- All routine drugs and gynaecological examinations to ensure insemination at the optimum time
- Ovulation agent
- Insemination
- Post ovulation checks including lavages if necessary

These packages are only available if the embryo flush is performed by B&W Equine Vets.

#### These fees **do not** include:

- The cost of call-out for any work performed at home
- Pre clinic entry health tests ie. EVA, clitoral swab & Strangles
- The cost of sedation, if it is necessary
- Accommodation fees (see below)
- If your mare is diagnosed with Endometritis, an all inclusive package fee of £170 + VAT will be charged.

Donor Flush fee - £295 + VAT

Embryo Freezing fee - £295 + VAT

Embryo Storage fee - £5 + VAT per month per embryo

## **ACCOMMODATION FEES** per day (all prices include VAT)

Mare at grass: £9 + VAT Mare & foal at grass: £10 + VAT Mare stabled: £18 + VAT Mare & foal stabled: £20 + VAT

Individual turnout (by special arrangement): £18 +VAT

The Donor Mare insemination must be paid in full before work commences.

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