

# Vaccination Amnesty



## **Free second vaccination:**

When eligible horses receive their first vaccination in a new primary course, when started this November, 2013. This includes flu and/or tetanus, using Equilis Prequenza vaccines only.

## **Why do we need to vaccinate?**

We have had 3 horse-flu outbreaks in the last 4 months. By vaccinating as many horses as we can, we will help reduce the chances of future outbreaks and so reduce the risk of this nasty and costly disease affecting the equine population.

## **Why an amnesty?**

Since the recent local outbreaks and the success of the amnesty last year we are keen to re-offer the amnesty again in order to get as many un-vaccinated and vulnerable horses protected as possible.

## **Do vaccinations really work?**

Yes. Whilst there is no perfect vaccine available on the market that protects 100% against this strain of flu, any vaccine will help to prime a horse's immunity and so benefit in the fight against flu. ***As from the 1<sup>st</sup> November we will be using a revised and more up-to-date vaccine.***

## **Is my horse eligible?**

If your horse is over 12 months old and either unvaccinated or more than 3 months overdue its vaccinations then you will be entitled to take part in the amnesty.

## **When can I get it vaccinated?**

The amnesty **ONLY** applies when the first vaccine is given ***DURING NOVEMBER 2013.***

## **How do I claim my free vaccine?**

- 1, When booking the first injection for November notify the practice of your intentions to take part in the scheme and **ENTER YOUR NAME IN THE VACCINATION AMNESTY REGISTER.** Do this in advance of the vet arriving.
- 2, When booking your second visit (for your free vaccine) remind the practice you are on the register. The vet will check your eligibility at the time of your vaccinations!

## **Vaccination intervals:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination = 21 to 92 days (3-13 weeks)  
2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> vaccination = 150 – 215 days (5-7 months)  
then either a) within the calendar year for pony club etc  
or b) every 6 months if un FEI rules.

***Remember;*** normal visit charges apply. The offer runs from 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013 for the first injection. The free second injection must be given between 21 and 92 days from the date of the first vaccination. The horse must be recorded into the VACCINATION AMNESTY REGISTER in advance of the vets arrival of the FIRST visit. This offer does not affect any other promotional offers such as discounted dentistry. We retain the right to withdraw or change the offer at any time without prior notice.