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Summer Equine Healthcare Reminder: Hydration and Anhidrosis

As the summer heats up around the country and especially in Florida, Palm Beach Equine Clinic reminds all equine owners to keep their horses well hydrated. The average horse drinks between 5 to 10 gallons of water per day. It is important to provide clean, fresh water at all times and be aware of increased water requirements during extremely hot days.

Sodium in the horse's diet is essential to maintaining proper hydration. Providing a salt block or supplementing with electrolytes can help ensure that the horse is meeting its sodium requirements and encourage drinking.



Providing horses with clean, fresh water is essential, especially during the summer months. Photo courtesy of [Palm Beach Equine Clinic](#)

Especially in extreme summer heat, it is important to observe the amount of sweat the horse is producing. Anhidrosis, or the inability to sweat normally, can be a common challenge for our equine partners in the summer months, particularly in hot, humid climates. A horse with Anhidrosis is often called a "non-sweater."

In addition to lack of sweat, signs of Anhidrosis can include increased respiratory rate, elevated temperature, areas of hair loss, or dry, flaky skin. If any of these signs are noticed, contact a veterinarian immediately.



Horses with anhidrosis should have access to cool water throughout the day so that they stay hydrated. Photo courtesy of [Palm Beach Equine Clinic](#)

The treatment of Anhidrosis includes a few simple changes. All horses should have access to shade and cool water throughout the day. Any exercise should be scheduled when the temperatures are lower, usually earlier or later in the day. Turnout should be limited to the night or cooler portions of the day. Fans can be provided indoors during extreme heat and the supplementation of electrolytes can be very helpful. Another common treatment for Anhidrosis is adding dark beer to their feed, such as Guinness. Some cases require more significant treatment, and commercial products are available to help as well.

Contact a veterinarian at Palm Beach Equine Clinic to learn more about effective treatments for dehydration and Anhidrosis.

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Getting Paperwork Organized for an FEI Competition: The Passport

From BarnManager



Making the step from national to international-level competition is always exciting! Of course, participating in shows governed by the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) comes with its own set of rules and paperwork. If you travel internationally, you need a passport, and similarly, your horse needs one to compete in designated international shows. If you're thinking of competing in an FEI show, it's important to make sure your horse's passport is ready to go.

Many changes and updates to a passport need to be completed at the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) office in Kentucky, so it is important to allow enough time for the passport to be mailed in, processed, and mailed back. Planning your competition schedule well in advance will enable you to have enough time to make sure everything is in order.

Validation

Like human passports, horse passports are valid for a fixed number of years. The FEI requires a passport renewal every four years. The first step is to check to make sure your horse's passport is current. Usually, you can find the expiration date on the front cover of the passport, though some passports have a more recent revalidation sticker on the back cover. If you need to renew your horse's passport, and that is the only issue with it, you can submit a "Passport Service Application" to USEF, and they will send you a revalidation sticker in the mail. If there is anything else that needs to be updated with the passport, you will have to send the passport in to USEF along with the application. If your horse has never had a passport, or an old passport is lost, you can submit the "Passport Service Application" to the USEF for a new one.

Ownership

When you revalidate a passport, USEF will check that the ownership listed in the passport matches the ownership in its database. If the information does not match, USEF will require an ownership transfer to be recorded to correct the discrepancy. Any time a passport shows a new owner listed inside the front cover, the owner must physically sign the passport to make it official, so allow time to get this step completed as well.

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Congratulations to ESP June I Winner



Ana Sofia Rodriguez and The Black Flyer won the Medium Amateur/Junior Jumper class, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic, at the ESP June I show. Photo by [Anne Gittins Photography](#)

Ana Sofia Rodriguez and The Black Flyer, owned by Rodriguez Equestrian DBA RB Showjumping, earned the top prize in the Medium Amateur/Junior Jumper class, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic, on Sunday, June 5, 2022, during the ESP June I show in Wellington, FL. Rodriguez and her mount stopped the timers at 64.826 seconds to take home the blue ribbon.

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Congratulations to ESP June II Winner



Anneliese Gattoni and Trueholm's Liva were victorious in the Medium Amateur/Junior Jumper class, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic, at the ESP June II show. Photo by [Anne Gittins Photography](#)

Anneliese Gattoni and her own Trueholm's Liva secured the blue ribbon in the Medium Amateur/Junior Jumper class, sponsored by Palm Beach Equine Clinic, on Sunday, June 12, 2022, during the ESP June II show in Wellington, FL. Gattoni and Trueholm's Liva stopped the clock at 41.932 seconds to earn the top prize.

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