

## Equine Emergency Checklist:

- Your vet's name & number clearly posted somewhere nearby
- If you are not around: come up with a plan for the caretaker to follow in case you are unreachable
  - Is referral/surgery an option?
  - What is the budget?
  - Who to contact if you are not reachable?
  - Who can make a decision on your behalf?
- Truck and horse trailer:  
If you do not have one: create a list of names and numbers of companies or nearby people who do and are willing to help if the situation arises
- Your horse's medical file (Coggins, insurance paperwork, vaccine history, medical diagnoses)
- Know your horse's normal temperature (**typically ranges from 99-101.5 F**)
  - Internal temperature will fluctuate with environment
- Halter & lead rope, both in good condition & fit your horse
- Rectal thermometer (human grade digital thermometer is fine)
- Bandage scissors
- Hoof pick
- Hoof boot
- New latex (or similar) gloves
- Tweezers
- Bandage materials:
  - Polo wraps/leg wraps
  - Cotton/"no bows"/quilt wraps
  - Poultice (wet or dry pad)
  - Duct tape
  - Elastikon
  - Vetwrap
  - Clean gauze or cloth
  - Telfa/nonstick pads
  - Brown gauze
  - White or porous tape
- Flashlight
- Utility knife/wire cutters (in case your horse gets wrapped up in something)
- Saline solution
- Betadine/chlorhexidine
- Isopropyl Alcohol
- Triple antibiotic or SSD
- Ophthalmic antibiotic ointment **without** corticosteroids (like dexamethasone or hydrocortisone)
- Electrolyte paste
- NSAIDS (e.g. Banamine & Bute) **\*\*Always ask your vet before administering\*\***
- Clean water

***\*Remember communication with your vet is key!***

*Here at ECO we are happy to talk to you about any concerns you may have.*

*Our vets will help you determine if your horse needs to be seen and how urgent the situation may be.\**

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