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CONSENT FORM

This form must be completed and signed by the owner/agent of the horse prior to admission

Name of Horse:

Date of Appointment:

1. I agree to entrust to you the above named horse for investigation, diagnostic procedures, and such medical or surgical treatment as the veterinary surgeon dealing with the case considers necessary, and on the basis of the Terms and Conditions of Business set out on the reverse hereof. I understand that there are risks involved with any handling or riding of this horse, which will be fully explained to me. I accept full responsibility for these risks if I, or any agents acting on my behalf, choose to be involved in handling and/or riding the horse.
2. If a general anaesthetic is to be administered, there are significant risks associated with anaesthesia. I understand and accept the attendant risks which have been clearly explained to me. I understand that general anaesthesia will not be carried out without my prior consent and the attendant risks will be explained to me at that time unless mandated by an emergency situation and inability to contact me.
3. I accept there may be certain risks to the life of the horse which could occur as a result of any proposed treatment. These risks will be fully explained to me. I appreciate that whilst reasonable care and attention will be given to the horse, no member of staff shall be liable for loss, damage or injury resulting from treatment or otherwise.
4. In the past 30 days, has your horse had symptoms of, or contact with, any other horses with infectious diseases such as Flu, Strangles, Ringworm or Diarrhoea? NO/YES (if YES, please specify) :
5. I understand that certain useful drugs, which are not licensed for use in horses, may be administered at the discretion of the veterinary surgeon, and I fully accept this and any attendant risks.
6. I agree to be invoiced direct by the Animal Health Trust, and I agree to pay to the Animal Health Trust all reasonable costs and expenses that may be incurred whilst the horse is under its care. I understand that any estimates issued in advance are only a guide and the final invoice may exceed the estimate, due to any additional diagnostic procedures required, time spent and/or quantities of medication required. The clinician in charge will endeavour to keep me fully informed if the original estimate is likely to be exceeded.
7. Should it prove necessary, in the opinion of the attending veterinary surgeon, I agree to the destruction of the horse on humane grounds. I understand that should humane destruction be considered necessary, further written authorisation will be requested from me.
8. I agree that all case papers, radiographs and other images, video recordings and materials of all kinds remain the property of the Animal Health Trust and may be used anonymously for post graduate teaching or for scientific publication. If blood, tissue, or genetic material samples are collected during diagnostic tests, any surplus material may be used or stored for future use in the Trust's ongoing studies of animal diseases.
9. Should it be necessary for me to ride my horse as part of the examination, I confirm that my riding hat conforms to current safety regulations.
10. In the case of insured horses, I acknowledge that my insurance company has been informed that the horse has been referred to the clinic for diagnosis, and/or treatment, and/or general anaesthesia.
11. I certify that this horse is not intended for human consumption, and that its passport has been endorsed to that effect.
12. I have read and understand the above points.
13. I agree/do not agree (**please delete as appropriate**) that any photographs taken of my horse can be used anonymously by the Trust to promote its services.

I, (*name in capitals please*) warrant that I am the owner*/agent

acting on behalf of the owner*, of the above named horse. *Delete as applicable

Signature of owner*/agent: Date:

Owner*/Agent Address:

Contact Numbers: Home: Work:

Mobile: Fax:

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH COPIES: RETURN ONE COPY TO THE EQUINE CENTRE AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS, AND RETAIN THE SECOND COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

Communication Preferences

Yes! I would like to receive updates about products & services, promotions, special offers, news and events from the Animal Health Trust via

Post Email Telephone

ANIMAL HEALTH TRUST - TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF BUSINESS

PART 1 : GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS WHICH APPLY TO ALL CONTRACTS

1.1 Services to be performed and charges

1.1.1 Subject to these terms and conditions, the Animal Health Trust ("the Trust") shall perform such services and carry out such works ("Services") as are expressly agreed between the Trust and the Client (which expression shall mean and include the owner of an animal, the owner's veterinary surgeon or other agent, together and singly where the context requires, or any other person with whom the Trust agrees to provide Services as the case may be).

1.1.2 The Trust will charge the Client at the rates specified in the Price List (see 1.6 below) unless otherwise agreed.

1.2 Payment

1.2.1 Itemised invoices will normally be produced and presented by the Trust to the Client. Invoices presented to the Client in person immediately on completion of a Service shall be paid in full by the Client on presentation. Other invoices shall be paid in full by the Client within 30 days of receipt of the invoice.

1.2.2 Interest may be charged on any amount remaining unpaid 30 days after the payment date. Interest will run at 2 percent above the base rate of Lloyds Bank PLC from time to time.

1.2.3 Clients whose account results in the employment of a debt recovery agency will incur a standard charge to cover these costs. Details of this charge are available upon request.

1.3 Rights to sub-contract and employ agents

The Trust may employ any person, company or firm as its agent or sub-contractor to perform all or any of its obligations or duties under this agreement.

1.4 Acceptance and limitation of liability

1.4.1 The Trust will accept liability for death or physical injury to persons caused, whether directly or indirectly, by the negligence of the Trust, but the Trust shall be under no such liability resulting from any cause other than the Trust's negligence as aforesaid.

1.4.2 Save as expressly provided in paragraph 1.4.1 above:

1.4.2.1 "The Trust shall not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages including but not limited to loss of profits, business or prize money, whether such damages are alleged as a result of tortious conduct or breach of contract (including in each case negligence) or otherwise, even if the Trust has been advised of the possibility of such damages."

1.4.2.2 Subject as aforesaid the liability of the Trust for loss or damage whether in contract tort or otherwise shall in no circumstances whatsoever exceed an amount equal to the charges payable to the Trust in respect of the treatment, examination, test(s) or goods in respect of which claim is made against the Trust or the sum of £2,500, whichever is the greater.

1.4.2.3 No claim shall be made against any employees or agents of the Trust. For the purpose of this paragraph 1.4.2.3 only the Trust contracts as the agent of its employees and agents.

1.5 Force majeure

1.5.1 Neither the Trust, nor any of its employees or agents, shall be under any liability whatsoever to the Client for non-performance, part-performance, defective performance or delay in the performance of any of the Services supplied or to be supplied by the Trust hereunder, directly or indirectly caused by events beyond the control of the Trust.

1.5.2 Such events will include, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, industrial action, whether at the Trust or not.

1.5.3 If extra work or waiting time is caused, or extra expenses are incurred by reason of any event of force majeure, such extra work or waiting time will be charged to and paid by the Client at the applicable rates, and such extra expenses reimbursed to the Trust by the Client.

1.5.4 If the method or mode of performance contemplated or anticipated by the Trust is affected by force majeure, the Trust shall be under no obligation to perform by any other method or mode but may consult with the Client and review alternative methods of performance, all the additional expense being payable by the Client.

1.6 Price List

1.6.1 A current Price List is available on request from the Trust's premises.

1.6.2 The Trust has the right to review the Price List from time to time.

1.7 Exclusion of other terms

These terms and conditions shall prevail notwithstanding any printed or other terms and conditions contained in any order acceptance of estimate, confirmation of contract or otherwise brought to the Trust's notice.

PART 2 : ADDITIONAL TERMS & CONDITIONS WHICH APPLY TO THE ADMISSION OF ANIMALS TO THE TRUST'S PREMISES

2.1 General

2.1.1 Animals will be accepted for treatment only at the request of, or with the agreement of, the owner's veterinary surgeon.

2.1.2 The Trust is not responsible for conveyance of animals to and from its premises.

2.1.3 The general charges made by the Trust for keep and attention as set out in the Price List (see 1.6 above) do not include charges of a special nature which may be incurred in particular cases (e.g., the cost of special diets, drugs, operations, shoeing, harness, clothing or intensive nursing fees).

PART 3 : SUPPLY OF VETERINARY MEDICINES

3.1 Clients should be aware of the following in relation to the supply of prescription-only veterinary medicines:

3.1.1 When treatment with prescription-only veterinary medicines is recommended for your animal, you are entitled to ask for a veterinary prescription so that you may, if you so choose, obtain the medicines from another source, e.g. a registered pharmacist or other veterinary surgeon, rather than direct from us. We will not charge for supply of prescriptions.

3.1.2 We will provide information on drug prices when requested and will inform you of the price of any drug prescribed or dispensed.

3.1.3 You will receive an itemised invoice that distinguishes between fees and charges for medicinal products.

3.1.4 Where further examinations and repeat prescriptions are required, we will inform you of the frequency and charges for them.